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CABLE NEWS.

Angry Debate Over the German Army Estimates.

Prince Alexander Will Go East on a Tour Through Egypt.

Russia to be Asked to Withdraw Prince Nicholas as a Candidate to the Bulgarian Throne —The Queen Invites Count and Countess of Paris to Dine at Windsor—The Sultan Sends Presents to the Pope.

German Army Bill.

BERLIN, Jan. 8.—Printed copies of the amended army bill will be distributed in the Reichstag on Monday. The debate on the second reading of the measure on Tuesday promises to be a stormy one. Prince Bismarck has announced his intention of remaining in Berlin until the fate of the bill has been decided. In government circles less confidence is felt as to the passage of the bill and there are indications that Prince Bismarck is open to compromise. It is believed he would accept an amendment limiting the operation of the bill to five years, but he will certainly reject a proposal for a term of three years and will immediately dissolve the Reichstag if that body persist in thus amending the bill.

The government relies upon the fears of dissolution influencing the members of the centre and the progressionist parties, and one of the results of the election would probably be the reduction in their numbers. The temper displayed by the clerical members of the commission toward the close of the debate showed no symptoms of the dread of the dissolution of parliament.

Herr Windthorst, the clerical leader, had a sharp interchange of words with Gen. Von Schellendorf on the remarks by the former, that Germany was living in a state of profound peace, that she was in alliance with Austria and Russia, while she was menaced nowhere.

General Von Schellendorf declared that, as war minister, he had nothing to do with political considerations. The government had no shade of reason to expect that the reichstag would oppose the bill. It had already twice voted for it, and he was confident that the reichstag would finish by voting for it again.

Here Windthorst responded angrily that the reichstag would make no concession beyond what the commission recommend. He even menaced the government with a *coup d'etat*.

Further soreness was caused by Gen. Von Schellendorf's refusal to state or discuss what financial resources the government relied on to cover the extra expenditure. On the whole the prospects are unfavorable to the government. Voting in the reichstag will probably be in the same ratio for the triennate as the commission.

"Sandy" Romns.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—It is stated that the Russian government has made proposals which are calculated to peacefully solve the Bulgarian difficulty. Prince Alexander of Battenburg, who intends to make an extended tour in the east in order to set at rest many rumors regarding his alleged purpose of returning to Bulgaria, will start for Egypt in a fortnight.

A Big Strike.

A strike of 30,000 miners in north Cumberland is owing to a dispute against wages.

Invited to Osborne.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—*Le Francais* says: That Queen Victoria has invited the Count and Countess of Paris to spend Sunday and Monday at Osborne.

Don't Want Him.

The Bulgarian delegation intend visiting Messieurs Flourehs, De Freycinet, Fry and Clemenceau. They will ask that France propose to Russia to withdraw Prince Nicholas as a candidate for the Bulgarian throne.

Presents For the Vatican.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 8.—The Catholic American patriarch is going to Rome as the bearer of the Sultan's presents of a diamond ring for the pope and decorations for the cardinals.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Sutro tunnel is again attracting considerable attention in New York.

Gen. Boulanger, minister of war for France, has ordered 200,000 new melinite shells.

A fire occurred in the Reliance machine works of the E. P. Allis company on Thursday. Loss about $250,000.

Clerk Darrus, of the county sessions' court, was badly beaten by moonlighters at Cork on Friday night.

An investigation into the cause of the terrible collision on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad is being held.

New York will suffer from a coal famine should the strike of the coal heavers of New Jersey continue for a week longer.

Gustave Abramson, of 130 Kearney street, San Francisco, failed on Thursday, with liabilities $58,000; assets $15,000.

A large fire took place at Valley Falls, R. I., on Friday, when the Rhode Island Horse Shoe Works were destroyed. Loss $100,000.

Wm. Black, the noted novelist, obtained a verdict in London for £100 against *Bow Bells* for libelous assertions respecting his early life.

The charge of manslaughter against W. R. Wing and T. B. Warren, owner and captain respectively, of the lost Atlanta, has been dismissed at San Francisco.

Ice a quarter of an inch thick formed at Merced, Cal., yesterday morning. This is very unusual and it is not known whether the fruit is damaged or not.

British naval pensioners have been ordered to notify the government of the names of the ships they would prefer to be employed in case of being called into active service.

The contract for the building of the naval cruiser Charleston, between the U. S. government and the Union Iron Works of San Francisco, were executed in Washington Thursday.

M. Lockroy, minister of commerce, announces that wheat of excellent quality and superior weight has been exported for the first time by Russia from the Caucasus.

Martin Kalbfleische's sons have filed schedules of the firm in the court of common pleas in New York, showing liabilities of $678,116, with contigent liabilities of $97,484, or a total of $775,600, with nominal assets amounting to $378,875.

Banks in New York now hold $14,787,000 in excess of legal rule.

A terrible snowstorm has prevailed throughout the Midland counties in England. Much loss of life is feared; highways and railways are impassable in many places and mails are delayed.

Mr. Gladstone personally denies that he is prepared to modify his Home Rule bill as announced yesterday by the *Standard*, which declared that he would make concessions to the liberal unionists.

Sir Wm. White, British ambassador to the porte, recently had two hours' private audience with the Sultan, who expressed gratification at his appointment as ambassador and entrusted him with a cordial New Year's message to the Queen.

Timothy Hogan, a stevedore, who has done all of the work for the Monarch steamship company of New York, commenced a friendly suit at Trenton to protect his interests as a director, in accumulated claims amounting to $100,000.

Capt. C. A. Bushnell, who secured for Ericsson the contract for the first monitor during the war, is in Washington for the purpose of presenting the merits of the great inventor's latest discovery in the way of a marine engine of destruction.

At midnight on Friday a crowd of striking carmen on the Sutter street line, San Francisco, attacked the conductor and gripmen and passengers of a train coming down town. One of the passengers received a severe blow over the head which may prove fatal.

The directors of the Northern Pacific railroad voted against the proposed lease of the O. R. & N. jointly with the Union Pacific railroad on a basis of 6 per cent. on the stock. The directors unanimously voted to continue negotiations with the U. P. for harmonious traffic relations.

At the annual meeting of the District assembly of the K. of L., held at Denver on the 7th inst., resolutions were passed endorsing Grand Master Powderly's actions in the settlement of the southwestern and Chicago strikes, as well as his views regarding trades unions.

A dispatch from Copenhagen says:—The Danish Falkething lower house of parliament has been dissolved, owing to its refusal to agree to the government's financial proposals and army estimates. The elections for a new Falkething will take place on Jan. 28th inst.

The seven engineers composing the special board on national ordnance plant are at Pittsburg, Pa., for the purpose of inspecting the larger mills there and to learn the cost of machinery, preparatory to submitting plans and estimates for the erection of a plant in Washington for furnishing heavy guns.

Joseph Mauri, a Brooklyn druggist, and his family were taken seriously ill on Monday last, and three of his children have since died. A *post mortem* examination was held on the bodies of the children, and it was found that they came to their deaths from hemorrhagic smallpox. The other members of the family will die.

Harry Fletcher, first assistant engineer on the steamship Alameda, and James Smith, water tender, were arrested in San Francisco on Thursday, on a warrant charging them with being the cause of the death of James Schroeder, a fireman on the same vessel. Both men, who gave bonds for $1000 each, took their arrest coolly and say that there is no truth in the report.

Two hundred policemen, or half the force of San Francisco, are stationed along the lines of the Sutter and Geary street railways, and in consequence a large portion of the town is left unprotected. This state of affairs on the railroads has now existed twenty eight days, and as far as appearances indicate there is now less chance for settlement than at the beginning of the strike.

Judge Pickett, of New Haven, rendered his decision yesterday morning in the case of Wm. H. Wallace, assistant superintendent of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads, and Stacy B. Opdyke, superintendent of the New Haven and Northwestern railroad, accused of conspiracy by Thomas L. Meany, who charged them wirh blacklisting him. The accused were fined $50 each, and have appealed from the decision.

Henry Morris and others organized the New York Textile Filtering company, with a factory at Woodbridge, N. J., two years ago, and established subsequently three branches in New York city. The firm was thought to be prospering, as Henry Morris had full control and he was considered an honorable business man. The firm has failed and Morris is now accused of forging his father's name to a large number of notes.

An extraordinary state of affairs in English foreign matters has just come to light. A short time ago a formal treaty between Russia and Turkey was on the point of being signed. This threw the British government into a state of great alarm, the assistance of Turkey being essential to an Anglo-Austrian alliance, which was the keynote of Salisbury's policy. The *Morning Post* gave expression to this feeling a fortnight ago but no one paid any attention to it. It said: "The time has come to warn Turkey against any further pursuance of a policy which might necessitate vigorous and immediate action on our part." Turkey took no notice of the warning and it passed into a menace. Lord Iddesleigh said although the *Post* is not a government organ, yet it expressed the best views the subject has yet received.

MEREDITH'S MAJORITY.—London, Jan. 2.—Sheriff Glass has declared Meredith's majority to be 213.

PACAUD ELECTED.—Windsor, Jan. 2.—Pacaud, the liberal candidate for North Essex, has a majority of 79 over Sol. White, conservative, the old member. At the last general election White had a majority of 326.

ASPHYXIATED.—Halifax, Jan. 3.—Capt. Harry and two white men, while asleep in the cabin of the Minnie Belle, were asphyxiated by coal gas. The two men recovered consciousness, but Capt, Harry died.

A NIAGARA SUICIDE.—Niagara Falls, Jan. 3.—This morning an unknown man jumped from the suspension railway bridge into the rapids below, a distance of two hundred feet. The bodies of persons who suicide in this manner are never recovered.

HIBBS CONVICTED.—Hibbs, the ex-U.S. postmaster who figured in our courts for extradition some time ago, has been convicted and sentenced to five years in the Boise City, Idaho, penitentiary. Hibbs, in a speech after the sentence was pronounced, said the testimony of J. J. Murphy was untruthful.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Fearful Shipwreck on the Coast of Virginia.

A Couple of Misers Die From Want Among Hoarded Riches.

Tragic Suicide of a Woman in Golden Gate Park—A Fallen Woman Starves Herself to Death—All Officers of a Burned Steamer Found Guilty of Manslaughter—Three Men Washed Overboard From a Schooner.

Terrible Shipwreck.

NORFOLK, Jan. 8.—One of the most disastrous shipwrecks which ever occurred on the Virginia coast happened at 2 o'clock this morning near the Little Island life saving station, fourteen miles from Cape Henry. Not less than twenty, and possibly more, lives were lost, among them five life-saving men who, in the discharge of duty, were drowned. The morning was bitterly cold and blowing. A snow storm prevailed, with wind blowing hard from the northwest. During a lull in the storm the life-saving patrol from the Little Island life-saving station sighted a large ship stranded on the bar about 900 yards from the shore. When he saw the vessel he was going to meet the patrol from the Dam Neck station and exchange a check showing that both patrols had been to the end of their beat. Rockets were fired to notify the crew of the vessel that she had been seen. The most expert boatmen of the life-saving stations manned the boats, and in a moment were breasting the furious waves. They reached the ship in safety and four of the ship's crew were taken in the life-boat and ten in the ship's boats, which were launched for the purpose. The two boats were making good headway for the shore when a wave of great power struck them, capsizing them instantly and pitching their twenty-two occupants out. The drowning men were carried southward by the sea and some of them were washed ashore. As they came within reach they were picked up and endeavors were made to revive them, and in two instances with success. The vessel is the German ship Elizabeth, Capt. Halnordt, from Hamburg to Baltimore, and not one of her crew survives her wreck. Her cargo is unknown, as the high seas have thus far prevented any attempt to reach her.

A Miser's Wealth.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 7.—A search today at the house where two old men, Joseph Perry and Richard Price were found lying dead yesterday, brought to light a large amount of hidden treasure. Price was the one who owned all the riches. He retired from the firm of auctioneers several years ago with independent means and took in Price, who was his cousin and companion. He was close-fisted and scarcely allowed himself the necessaries of life. In an undertaking establishment the bodies lay to-day ghastly in death. Their appearance was revolting and showed a frightful condition of personal neglect. A *post mortem* examination was made to-day and an inquest will be held on Monday. This afternoon the coroner's messenger, with three distant relatives of Perry, and a lawyer, began a search of the filthy old house. They began in the second storey front room and before they proceeded far in the hunt had unearthed substantial evidences of large wealth. On moving the filthy cover from the bed an old dirty piece of paper was found, containing bank notes amounting to $127. A small parcel next was found, containing $40 in gold, and an old dirty canvas bag had $500 in gold coin; and $120 in bright, new gold certificates were wrapped in pieces of cloth. Another bedroom was then reached, and the first thing found was $300 in fifty-dollar gold certificates, stuck under a corner of the mattress. An old rag tied around a bed-post was found to contain $945 in gold pieces. In addition to packages containing money great piles of paper were brought out of old musty boxes. They contained deeds to property, mortgages, bank books, insurance policies, ground rents, and other valuable documents.

The Weather.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Indications for Oregon, generally fair weather. Washington Territory, fair weather followed by light rains in the western portion.

Frightful Discovery.

A boy, while strolling through Golden Gate park this afternoon, came across the body of a young woman, about fifty feet from the terminus of the Geary street road. Her face was badly scratched and disfigured, and a few feet away was a small revolver with one chamber discharged. The body was clothed with neat apparel and was that of a woman about 29 years of age.

She Suicided..

Investigation tends to the belief that the woman whose body was found near the Park this afternoon committed suicide by taking poison, and that the bruised appearance of her face was caused by her contortion after she had fallen to the ground. A small bottle was found by her side with a yellowish liquid that was judged to be prussic acid or cyanide of pottassium, both violent poisons. An autopsy will be made to-morrow. No bullet wound was found on her person, and the pistol had not the appearance of having been recently discharged.

The Monarch Line's Troubles.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The Monarch Line's difficulties are still in an unsettled condition, as the libel which was placed on the Lydian Monarch by Stevedore Hogan has not been satisfied, and the vessel could not make its departure for London to-day. The agent of the company admits that several other libels for small amounts have been placed on the Persian Monarch and other steamers of the line. It is thought the troubles will be amicably arranged so as to permit the Lydian Monarch to sail on Monday afternoon. Nothing was seen at the company's pier of Mrs. Emmons, who, it was rumored, intended to sail on the Lydian Monarch.

Starved to Death.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 8.—Mary Harlan, a well known woman of the town, ended a 42 days fast at the city hospital to-day by dying. About two months ago she found herself recovering from a big spree. At the work house she positively refused to partake of any food, and after 14 days' fasting, the workhouse officials sent her to the hospital. There it was the same, and she refused to eat or talk, and it was believed her reason was dethroned. Last night she told her sad story and said nobody would have cause to regret her death. She had no relations in the world. She further stated she had starved herself to death.

A True Bill.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 8.—A special from Bayo Sara says: The grand jury of the parish of Pointe Coupre have found a true bill of manslaughter against all the officers of the burned steamer J. M. White.

Washed Overboard.

BOSTON, Jan. 8.—News has been received from Glasgow that three seamen of the bark Lillian, Capt. Willey, from Bangor for Glasgow, were washed overboard on Dec. 10th and drowned.

AGAINST THE MONGOLIANS.

Vancouver Is Greatly Excited Over the Chinese Question.

Twenty Chinamen, says the *News*, arrived on the Louise yesterday, from Victoria and were met by a number of their brethren. It is said that some twenty-five more will be landed here from the steamer to-day. Batches of Mongolians are expected to arrive until the number of 300 is reached. They have been engaged to clear the Brighouse estate.

The feeling on the part of the citizens is unmistakably against the engaging of Chinese, while there are in the city enough unemployed men to do the work and to whom preference should certainly be given. A Knight of Labor said yesterday that he considered the loss to the city at fully $500 per day. if 300 white men were engaged to clear the tract at the ordinary wages, they would spend at least $1 per day each for board and lodging, and the remaining $200 would be distributed by the workers among the stores of the city in one way and another. The Chinese, on the other hand, being herded together and living on food which no white man would touch, spend the smallest fraction while they remain in the city and take away with them nearly all the money which they earn. There was no difference of opinion among the citizens whom the *News* reporter addressed, but no one seemed ready to say what course should be pursued in the matter. The price which is being paid for the clearing was yesterday stated to be $200 per acre. Another informant said the rate was only $150, and that the railway company was paying cash for the work, while the other owners were deeding lots to the contractor on the basis of $200 per acre.

PROBABLY DROWNED.

Have They Met a Watery Grave?

[Nanaimo Free Press.]

On Thursday afternoon Messrs. Jas. Harper and E. Foster found an upturned dug-out, on the gulf side of Newcastle Island and near the entrance to Departure Bay. They righted the boat and found that it had upset while the sail had been set. It was recognized as the dug-out belonging to Mr. Chas. Drummond, of the Ballinac Islands. The boat was towed to a safe place on the island, and the matter reportrd to Constable Stephenson, of Departure Bay. Mr. S. Brightman, of the Queen's Market, states that on Tuesday he was on Newcastle Island in company with Mr. McLeod. Messrs. Charles Drummond and Robert Beck came there, and after having something to eat, left in the dug-out. At first it appeared that they intended to proceed to Entrance Island lighthouse, but subsequently they changed their course and headed towards the Ballinac Islands, where Mr. Drummond resides. Nothing has been heard of them since, and the finding of the dug-out near Newcastle Island, leads to the conclusion that in all probability Drummond and Beck have found a watery grave. Mr. Drummond has been reported drowned several times before, and about a year ago, Drummond had a narrow escape, but was saved by Mr. L. Page. At the time they left the wind was light from the southeast, but afterwards changed to the northeast.

NANAIMO.

(Free Press.)

Last evening, Mr. John Culligan, a miner working in the new slope of No. 1 shaft of the V. C. Co., was severely, if not fatally, injured by some loaded cars. It appears that the Chinamen let some cars down too quick and then started some others. The loaded cars went down at a rapid rate and knocked out some of the supports. Mr. Culligan got his head jammed between two posts and was taken home in an unconscious state.

Again are we called upon to record the demise of another of Nanaimo's pioneer's. Mr. John Malpass of Wellington, died at the age of age of 64 years on Thursday morning at his residence. The deceased gentleman came to this city in the year 1854 in the Hudson Bay bark Princess Royal, and has resided and worked in the coal mines of this city and district ever since.

Mr. A. M. Stenhouse, member elect for Comox arrived by the steamer Dunsmuir and will proceed to Victoria, so as to be in time for the opening of the house.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Pandora Street Methodist Church—In the morning at 11 o'clock the Rev. W. W. Percival will preach; in the evening at 7 o'clock the Rev. Dr. Reid will occupy the pulpit.

Gorge Road Methodist Church—Rev. D. Fraser, M. A., will preach in the morning at 11 o'clock, and the Rev. C. Ladner in the evening at 7 o'clock.

Calvary Baptist Church—Rev. J. W. Daniel, of Cedar Bapids, Iowa, will preach in the Baptist Church at both services today.

Reformed Episcopal Church—Dr. Reid will preach in the morning and Rev. W. W. Percival in the evening.

Miss Johnson will lecture at Harmony Hall this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Admission free.

WEATHER REPORT.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 8.—Cloudy and cold; thermometer 34°; minimum temperature during the night 30° above. Clinton.—Bright and calm; 10° below. Bridge Creek.—20° below. Quesnelle.—12° below. Ashcroft.—Clear and very cold.

PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Fire Wardens Report for the First Year.

Number of Fires During the Year—Date and Cause of the Same.

Below is published the main portion of the fire wardens report for the first year's service of the paid fire department, with the annexed list of fire alarms during the year. It will prove interesting to our readers as it shows that the new order of things has worked very satisfactorily in most particulars:

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 5, 1887.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN—In presenting the first annual report of the fire wardens of the city of Victoria we consider it advisable to state that a precedent will be thereby established which will prove beneficial to the city.

On January 1st, 1886, in accordance with a bylaw, assented to by the property-owners, the city council assumed full control over the fire department. A number of men were engaged at salaries aggregating $564.18 monthly. On March 1st rules and regulations were passed and enforced satisfactorily.

During the past year the expenditure connected with the department was necessarily very large; but the fire wardens always kept economy in view. The steam fire engines were almost useless, and it became absolutely necessary to repair them. Horses were purchased and kept in the engine houses. A fire escape, ordered by the volunteer department, was paid for by the present council. Repairs and extra carpenter work became necessary in order to keep the engine houses in proper condition. The salaries of the officers and men, although very small, aggregated almost six hundred dollars monthly, and the fire wardens found it practically impossible to conduct the affairs of the department at a less cost during the first year of its existence. It was considered advisable to purchase 500 feet of canvas hose from Mr. Jos. Wrigglesworth, and, at the request of the chief engineer, 1,000 feet of carbolized hose was ordered from T. Mellroy, of Toronto, also 500 feet of canvas hose from Merryweather & Sons, London. Appended is an inventory of property belonging to the city and in use by the fire department.

It is almost unnecessary to state that in case of fire the water supply is very good; a number of new hydrants were erected during the past year. On the completion of the reservoirs this city will be the best protected, in this respect, on the Pacific coast.

The efficiency of the department has been thoroughly tested, and, although the force is numerically small, the officers and men are to be commended for their promptness and ability. Appended is a list of officers and men, with their occupation, and salaries set opposite their respective names.

During the past year two serious conflagrations occurred, destroying property valued at $100,000. These, in addition to other fires which took place during the year, causes the fire record to be far above the average. A list of fires, with the estimated losses is appended.

The chief engineer has frequently called our attention to the small number of men under his control, and we consider it necessary, for the welfare of the city, that our successors should seriously consider this matter and devise means for augmenting the force.

An extension hook and ladder truck is urgently needed. The ladders at present in use will scarcely reach a two-story building. The fire escape is almost useless on account of numerous wires across the streets.

A hose carriage, to be drawn by one horse, is necessary. This matter was already considered, and the purchase thereof laid over for the incoming council.

In conclusion, the fire wardens are of the opinion that the officers and members have been faithful and energetic, and deserve great credit. The police also deserve praise for assistance rendered at fires.

LIST OF FIRES DURING THE YEAR 1886.

Jan. 12th—False alarm; corner of Fort and Moss streets. Time 1 p. m.

Jan. 16th—False alarm from James Bay. Time, 7:20 p. m.

Jan. 21st—Alarm; chimney in Kwong Lee's cabins. Time, 7:30 p. m.

Jan. 31st—Fire at Central Chambers, Fort street. Loss, $1000. Time, 5:50 a. m. Cause—of above fire unknown.

Feb. 20th—Fire in moulding shop at Albion Iron Works. Loss about $200. Cause unknown. Time, 8:30 p. m.

April 14th—Fire at Kwong Chong's, Cormorant street. No damage. Cause, cooking opium Time, 8:20 a. m.

April 14th—Fire in residence on Fort street. House occupied by Mrs. Jeffries. Loss, $50. Cause—lamp overturned by a drunken man. Time, 9 p. m.

April 21st—Alarm, corner Douglas and Rae streets. Loss nominal. Cause—boys lighting fire on floor of old shed. Time, 10:25 a. m.

May 13th—Alarm from corner of Yates and Cook streets; fire in house belonging to S. Gillespie. Damage, $300. Cause—lamp exploding. Time, 10:40 p. m.

June 4th—Fire on roof of moulding shop, Albion Iron Works. Damage slight. Cause—sparks from moulding shop. Time, 6:45 p.m.

June 16th—Fire in Chinese wash house on Johnson street. Damage slight. Cause—Matches igniting. Time, 10:50 a. m.

June 18th Fire in empty house over ravine at foot of Johnson street. Loss nominal. Cause—incendiary. Time, 10 p. m.

June 20th—Alarm, corner Govt. and John streets. Cause—burning brush. No damage. Time, 2:30 a. m.

June 21st—Fire at Messrs. Smith & Clarke's factory. Damage slight. Cause—sparks from boiler. Time, 3:10 p. m.

June 25th—Fire in house owned by C. Jenkinson in alley between Fort and View streets. Damage slight. Cause—leaving lamp in proximity to window blind. Time, 9:30 p. m.

July 2nd—Fire in residence corner Douglas and Pandora streets. Damage slight. Cause—unknown. Time, 10:30 p.m.

July 3rd—Fire on west side of Government street, between Fort and Bastion streets. Buildings owned by Messrs. A. Ofner and J. Sehl. Buildings occupied by Messrs. Atwell King & Co., M. W. Waitt, J. Sehl, and M. Lenz; also office occupied by Messrs. Heisterman & Haynes. Stock of T. Carrington damaged by removal and water. Loss $35,100. Cause of fire unknown. Time. 10:40 p. m.

July 4th—Alarm; tearing down walls of above buildings. Time 11 a. m.

July 21st—Fire in C. P. R. saloon on Johnson street, below Douglas street. Damage $500; insured. Cause unknown. Time, 3 a. m.

July 26th—Fire in lodging house on Cormorant street, between Douglas and Blanchard. Loss, on building, $3,000; furniture, $1,000; insured. Cause—incendiary. Time, 12:05 a. m.

August 3rd—Fire at Vancouver house, Yates street. No damage. Cause—carlessness with matches. Time, 11:40 a. m.

August 4th—Fire on Messrs. Welch, Rithet & Co.'s wharf. No damage. Cause—unknown. Time, 8:40 a. m.

August 4th—Fire at Spring Ridge. Burning brush. Time, 1:40 p. m.

August 4th—Fire in a house near Muirhead & Mann's mill. Damage $50. Cause—incendiary. Time, 2:50 p. m.

August 6th—Fire at Irving Bros.' store, Government street. Damage slight. Cause—sparks from road roller. Time, 3:20 p. m.

August 16th—Fire on roof of M. R. Smith's cracker bakery, Fort street. No damage. Cause, sparks igniting shingles. Time, 7:40 p. m.

August 16th—Fire in cabin on Fort street. No alarm. Damage slight. Cause—incendiary. Time, 7:40 p. m.

August 31st—False alarm. Time, 12:45 p. m.

Sept. 1st—Fire at W. Heathorn's boot and shoe factory, Government street. Loss estimated at $75,000. Cause—unknown; partially insured. Time, 2:35 a. m.

Sept. 18th—Fire at Messrs. Smith & Clarke's factory on Fort street. Loss about $3,000; insured. Cause—unknown. Time, 7:35 p. m.

Oct. 1st—Fire at house occupied by Mrs. Levy corner of View and Quadra streets. Cause supposed to be lighted candle setting fire to wall. Loss about $100. Time, 7:10 p. m.

Oct. 3rd—Fire in house on Humboldt street occupied by man named Fraser. Loss $50. Cause—spark from wood fire igniting straw mattrass. Time, 11 a. m.

Oct. 3rd—False alarm. Time, 3:30 p. m.

Oct. 4th—Fire on Discovery street. Cause—burning rubbish. No damage. Time, 3:40 p. m.

Oct. 5th—Fire on Discovery street; same cause. Time, 5:20 p. m.

Oct. 8th—Fire on Discovery street; same cause. Time, 9:15 p. m.

Oct. 10th—Alarm, Fairfield road, at residence of Geo. Winter. No damage. Time, 3:45 p. m.

Oct. 14th—Alarm, hay barn outside city limits. Time, 11:50 p. m.

Oct. 19—Alarm, false. Time, 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 3rd—Fire on Fisgard street, above Douglas; house owned by Mr. T. Storey; occupied by Mr. Decker. Cause—unknown. Loss about $700. No insurance on building; furniture insured. Time, 9:15 p. m.

Nov. 5th—Fire on Elizabeth street; house occupied by man named West. Loss $100; insured. Cause—upsetting lamp. Time, 12:15 p. m.

Nov. 9th—Fire in building on Store street; occupied by Mr. Morris Moss, Mr. P. Everett owner of building. Loss $300; insured. Cause—unknown. Time, 9 a. m.

Nov. 13th—Alarm, extinguishing bonfires on Cormorant street. Time, 11:50 p. m.

Dec. 10th—Alarm, chimney on fire at Dr. Matthews' residence, Fort street. No damage. Time, 8:15 p. m.

Then follows a list of the officers and men, with amounts paid monthly to each as follows: Chief Engineer Philips, $58.20; assistant T. Deasy, $25; 3 foremen, $16. 25 each; 2 engine drivers, $60 each; 1 horse driver, $60; 12 hosemen, $14 each; 6 hook and ladder men, $14 each. The committee recommended that T. Deasy be paid $20 for extra services.

A detailed list of the property is also annexed, which is too lengthy for publication. No. 1 house is occupied by the hook and ladder company. No. 2 house, Yates street, contain the Merryweather steam engine, three hose carts, 1700 feet carbolized and cotton hose, and a large list of property. No. 3 house, city hall, contains the Button steam engine with two hose carts and 2,400 feet carbolized and canvas hose and numerous properties. James Bay house contains one hand engine, one hose cart and 350 feet of hose.

The report is signed,

LOUIS VIGELIUS,
A. J. SMITH,
S. T. STYLES.

TAPPING THE MAINS.

TO THE EDITOR:—Seeing that the council does not intend to proceed further in its accusation against me for breaking the rules of the water committee, I think it only justice to myself to place the facts before the public. Mr. Hendry, in the first instance, entered a charge against me for tapping the mains (so the water commissioners told me) and declared before the council in assembly that the mains had been tapped; and he was thereon ordered to prosecute the parties. Knowing it to be incorrect, he was afraid to take proceedings on that issue, but I was ordered forthwith to show cause why my name should not be struck off the list of authorized plumbers. I took no notice, expecting to be prosecuted, and eventually received a communication from the water commissioner to appear before him on a charge of connecting a pipe to a pipe leading to the main. On the day and time appointed I appeared, by the advice of my lawyer, without witnesses, as he said the case was so trivial that his or their presence was unnecessary. During the examination I cross-questioned the witnesses for the council, and each made a different statement, the first declaring it was connected to the branch leading to the left; the second, Mr. Robinson, city clerk, saying the branch led to the right, and the third maintaining they were joined in a V shape, which contradictions fully proved they were making incorrect assertions through ignorance or otherwise. The whole charge I totally denied, and offered to prove the truth of my statement by uncovering the work at my own expense. This, apparently, they are unwilling to accept, knowing they would be placed in a further quandary. This being the case, the only inference that can be drawn is that they were ignorant of the facts.

J. BRADEN.

PYKE OPERA CO.

Last night the Pyke Opera company, headed by Jeannie Winston, closed a three weeks' engagement at the New Market. "The Oath of Love" at both performances yesterday packed the house to the fullest capacity, and more enthusiastic audiences were never seen anywhere. It was a very hearty good-bye to all the favorites. This morning the company goes to the sound and Victoria. Manager Howe is trying to get them to return to San Francisco *via* Portland, and play another week here but it is doubtful whether such arrangements can be made, owing to previous engagements in California.—*Oregonian.*

The company will open in The Victoria to-morrow night. There is but one opinion in the American press in regard to them, and that is of the most flattering kind. They are evidently a superior company, and a treat is in store for lovers of comic opera.

The sale of seats at Waitt's has been going on for several days, and the indications are that a rousing reception will be given the company.

CIVIC ELECTIONS.

List of Those Who Want to be Elected to the City Council.

For Mayor:

James Fell,
Chas. E. Redfern,
A. J. Smith.

Johnson Street Ward:

Maurice Humber,
John Coughlan,
John Robertson.

Yates Street Ward:

R. Lipsett,
Louis Vigelius,
John Braden,
S. L. Kelly,
G. G. Walker.

James Bay Ward:

D. W. Higgins,
F. S. Barnard,
John Boyd.

Do Not Delay.

Do not delay, if suffering from any form of Bowel Complaint, however mild apparently may be the attack, but use Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. It is the old reliable cure for all forms of Summer complaints that require prompt treatment. Ask your druggist and all dealers in patent medicines. tu-th-sat-dw

THE COMMONS.

Has Not Yet Been Dissolved.

The special to the *Mainland Guardian* published yesterday morning proves to have been, as we predicted, a *canard*. Our Toronto correspondent telegraphed us last evening: "The house has not yet been dissolved." The general *consensu* of opinion in conservative circles seems to be to the effect that there will be another, though perhaps, brief, session of parliament.

BLUE RIBBON CLUB.

President S. Gray occupied the chair last evening. The Blue Ribbon band played a fine selection, which was followed by the audience singing "Only an Armour Bearer." Rev. W. W. Percival offered a prayer for the success of the temperance cause. Miss Jane Rudge recited "The Return," and received loud applause for the rendition of the beautiful piece. The Rev. W. W. Percival made a thorough temperance speech, calling on voters to support candidates pledged to assist in suppressing the liquor traffic. Miss Alice White sang "Happy be thy Dreams," and in response to loud applause, gave "In the Gloaming." The band played a bright polka and a little lady, Miss Himes, recited "Guilty or not Guilty," and was repeatedly *encored*. Mrs. H. Wright and Mr. Miller favored the large audience with a sparkling duet. In response to an *encore* the lady and gentleman sang "The Gypsey Maid." The president called attention to the regularity of the meetings and the good effects attending them. Mr. Whitbeck sang two splendid solos which met with thunders of applause. Miss Washam's solo received a well deserved *encore*. Mr. Leven, of H. M. S. Dockyard, played a piano solo in a masterly manner. Mr. Carz, a splendid singer, gave a solo which was *encored*. Before the conclusion of the meeting the president, Mr. Gray, returned thanks for the kindness received from members. He exhorted all well-wishers to sign the pledge. A vote of thanks was tendered the ladies and gentlemen. On Monday evening the Band of Hope will hold a public entertainment. A splendid programme has been arranged.

THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—In the United States senate Senator Sherman reported favorably from the committee on foreign relations an amendment intended to be proposed to the sundry civil appropriation bill to provide for the expense of a preliminary reconnoissance to be made under the direction of the secretary of the navy, to examine the configuration of the conventional boundary line between Alaska and British Columbia, following the coast from Portland channel to the 141st meridian, and to ascertain and report how far the natural features of the country permit the accurate location of the line of demarkation contemplated by the treaty of 1867, ceding Alaska to the United States.

NANAIMO MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The nomination for mayor and councillors for the year 1887 will take place in the city hall to-morrow Messrs. Richard Gibson and Edward Quennell publicly announce themselves as candidates for the mayoralty. A requisition is in circulation asking Mr. M. Bate to allow himself to be put in nomination for the position. The following gentlemen will be candidates for the position of councillors: South ward—Coun. G. Belvilockway and Mr. George Baker; middle ward—Couns. W. E. Webb, J. Hilbert and J. Meakin; north ward—Messrs. J. Mahrer and R. Craig.

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

BEAR CREEK, Jan. 8.—Passengers on the Pacific express to-day: John Bruce, David Cooney, J. E. Roberts, Wm. McGowan, W. Printice, Victoria; J. F. McGartin, San Francisco; D. Sinnoman and Thos. Norald, Port Moody.

What True Merit Will Do.

The unprecedented sale of *Boschee's German Syrup* within a few years has astonished the world. It is without doubt the safest and best remedy ever discovered for the speedy and effectual cure of Coughs, Colds and the severest Lung troubles. It acts on an entirely different principle from the usual prescriptions given by physicians, as it does not dry up the cough and leave the disease still in the system, but on the contrary removes the *cause* of the trouble, heals the parts affected, and leaves them in a purely healthy condition. A bottle kept in the house for use when the diseases make their appearance, will save doctors' bills and a long spell of serious illness. A trial will convince you of these facts. It is positively sold by all druggists and general dealers in the land. Price 75 cents, large bottles d1y

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"When all other remedies fail," for Bowel Complaints, Colic, Cramps, Dysentery, &c., "then Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry comes to the rescue." Thus writes W. H. Crocker, druggist, Waterdown, and adds that "its sales are large and increasing." tu-th-sat-dw

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For rich and poor who wish to enjoy good health, and who do not wish to resort to bitter, bitter nauseous liver medicines and cathartics, is the concentrated liquid fruit remedy, Syrup of Figs. Sample bottles free, and 75c. and $1.25 bottles for sale by Langley & Co., Victoria. 10dw.

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tu-th-sat-dw

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EX-COUNCILLOR ROBERTSON.

In the withdrawal of Mr. W. A. Robertson from the municipal canvass in Johnson street ward the public have lost an excellent representative. Though by no means a wealthy man, Mr. Robertson has for several years given much attention to the transaction of civic business, often to the detriment of his private affairs. That he has unwittingly sat in the council illegally cannot be denied; but it was a mean act on the part of Mr. De Cosmos to turn informer. He should have left the dirty business to some one else—that is, if any other man could have been induced to perform that description of work. Mr. Robertson's chief offence in Mr. DeCosmos' eyes is that he has served the public gratuitously—a thing Mr. DeCosmos is incapable of doing. He wants to see the shekels every time.

VOLCANIC RUMBLINGS.

The appearance of an "exhausted volcano" at the Johnson street ward meeting on Friday night awakened more than customary interest. The volcano erupted a feeble string of resolutions which he endeavored to press on the acceptance of the meeting; but failing to secure a seconder the resolution fell flat amid jeers. One of the resolutions was of an extraordinary character. The eruptionist proposed,

"That in the opinion of this meeting, no by-laws for borrowing money on the credit of the city and secured on the real estate thereof, shall be valid unless it shall have been passed by a vote of a majority in number of all the owners of real estate on the assessment roll, representing not less than two-thirds in value of the total amount of real estate assessed on the roll and that the legislature be asked to so amend the existing law."

What would be the effect of such a resolution if it should become law? To stifle the voice of the small property holder and throw elections into the hands of monopolists and large land holders. We will suppose a man to hold property, the value of which is $50,000. If the resolution should become law it would require just fifty holders of property valued at $1,000 to exert as much influence at an election as the $50,000 man!! What do the public think of the proposition? What is their opinion of the volcanic author? And how many votes is he likely to get at the next election for the commons? It almost passes comprehension that in this enlightened, progressive, democratic era a man should be found in cold blood to propose to throw municipal government into the hands of a few rich men and practically disfranchise the poor by reducing their influence to the minimum. Many years ago the volcano was wont to pose as the "people's friend," but he was found out on a memorable occasion when he shouted "To —— with the People! I've worked long enough for the people. I'm now going to work for myself." This brutal remark and his base betrayal of the interests of the farmers in opposing the market bylaw had prepared the public for a great deal; but not for the disgraceful betrayal of the interests of the smaller property-owners as portrayed in this resolution. Another of the resolutions offered by the volcano, proposed to disqualify any person who sits in the legislature for a seat in the council. Now, the very best safeguard the public can have is a councillor in parliament. In the British parliament aldermen are frequently met. London constituencies nearly always select their members from the board of aldermen and they sit and vote in both bodies. "Joe" Chamberlain was mayor of Birmingham when he first entered parliament. Mr. Howland, just re-elected mayor of Toronto, previously announced himself as a candidate for parliament. One hundred precedents could be mentioned. In this province a member of parliament has sat two years in the Victoria city council and where is the evidence that he has taken advantage of the dual position to advance legislation that would be prejudicial to the city? At this moment two members of the city council are also members of the provincial parliament and so far from the interests of the city being handicapped they are likely to be greatly advantaged thereby. It is safe to say that no legislation prejudicial to the commercial and political supremacy of Victoria will be allowed to pass unnoticed while Victoria councillors hold seats in the legislature. The example of sending aldermen or councillors to parliament is worthy of being copied by other cities in the province. At this particular time it is more than ever necessary that the council should be represented in parliament. Perhaps readers will be inclined to think that too much space has been devoted to the discussion of these absurd resolutions and that the wisest course which could have been adopted by the press would have been to treat them as the meeting did—with contempt—principally for the reason that the volcano is not an elector, not having paid his taxes for two years. The electors, doubtless, are abundantly able to make their own selection without the saucy dictation of the exhausted volcano, whose chief object is the gratification of his private spleen and the placing of the smaller property holders beneath the heel of monopolists and wealthy land-owners.

TENNYSON'S NEW POEM.

There would seem to be much reason in the trite saying of the *Pall Mall Gazette* that if "a sorrow's crown of sorrow is remembering happier things," then the memory of "Locksley Hall" crowns the sorrow with which people will read "Sixty Years After." For as "Paradise Regained" is to "Paradise Lost," so is the Laureate's new poem to the famous lament over "Amy, mine no more," which long ago became a common heritage of the English speaking race. Not that Lord Tennyson has regained a paradise. Just the opposite. He has lost it. No longer, filled with "the Vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be," does he sing with youthful rapture of the coming time. The vision and faculty divine are his no more. "Ancient founts of inspiration well thro' all his fancy yet," but his verse is but a dreary echo of the earlier song, and the despairing bitterness of his lament shows only how true it is—

My passion sweeping thro' me, left me dry—
Left me with the palsied heart, and left me with the jaundiced eye.

In "Sixty Years After," the heart indeed is palsied, for it leaps no more in lofty aspirations after a better world, and the jaundiced eye sees modern England as if it were but a circle in a new Inferno. His utterance is still harshly strong, but it is heard only to "hush this cry of Forward till ten thousand years have gone." The world will obey his earlier mandate and neglect the imperative Halt which he leaves as his last word to his fellows. The worst of this second poem is that it spoils the first. The soul of enjoyment is sympathy, and how can you sympathise with the hero of "Locksley Hall" either in his denunciations or aspirations when you have it under his own hand in another page that he was all wrong in both? Better by far that he had never rendered tardy justice to his hated rival than that he should deal much more wholesale injustice to those whom he hailed in his hot youth as "Men, my brothers, men, the workers, ever reaping something new." It would have been better that we should go on believing that Amy's husband had been a drunken clown, than that we should have learned that cousin Amy chose the better man of her two suitors, when that knowledge comes to us weighted with the melancholy warning that the high hopes with which he hailed the younger day are withered and dead, and that the great world in its spinning down the ringing grooves of change, will "crook and turn upon itself in many a backward streaming curve." In Sixty Years After the world is cankered to the core, and "men my brothers, men the workers" are but "insects of an hour that hourly work their brother insect wrong." "Have we risen from out the beast then back into the beast again?" is the Laureate's inquiry—a sad fate indeed for "the heir of all the ages in the foremost files of time." But, what with the Moonlighter and M. Zola, Lord Tennyson is evidently more than half inclined to answer his question in the affirmative.

ALBERNI NOTES.

Two weeks ago the resident J. P.'s held an inquest at Sproat Lake, on the spot where the unfortunate Watkins was drowned; a jury was empannelled and witnesses examined, and the body was also examined by Dr. Armand. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death caused by drowning. From the evidence gathered at the enquiry it appears that deceased left Mr. Saunder's store at about 2 o'clock p. m., and with a pack on his back started to Mrs. Wilton' residence across Sproat Lake. When he was heard shouting for assistance it was about 7 o'clock and very dark. One of the parties who found the bodies the next morning stated that he believed, from the position in which the canoe and body were found, that it is probable that Watkins' canoe struck the branches of trees that had fallen in the water, and Watkins thinking he had reached the shore, jumped out. The water being over his depth, and much small timber being in the water at this place, prevented the unfortunate man from reaching the shore, and before assistance could be given he had sunk. After the enquiry was over, the body was placed in a coffin and buried near the spot where the accident took place, the Rev. Alex. Dunn attending to the funeral service at the grave.

Very heavy rains fell here the week before last, causing one of the greatest floods ever seen on the Somas River, which was swollen to such proportions that for a few days no person attempted to go across. Haivng as yet no bridges over this river the public school had to be closed one week sooner than it should, owing to the dangerous state of the river.

Last week the weather became somewhat colder and turned to snow, some three feet falling within twenty-four hours, which for a few days completely blocked up all communication among the settlers. Several buildings gave way under the heavy weight of snow on the roofs, among these a new barn belonging to Mr. Grandy. One old shed on the company's farm fell, causing the death of three of Mr. Taylor's best cows, which had taken shelter there. Two houses erected last summer by Indians were also demolished. Much timber has also fallen across our new roads, which in many places are in an impassable condition.

In the Times of the 24th December Mr. Jos. G. Halpenny informs the editor and the public generally, among other things, that the townsite is in a desirable location and admirably laid out; also that a sawmill is badly needed at this point. Why not let the public know that within a short distance of this townsite one of our fellow settlers, Mr. M. M. Sarcanet has been busily engaged for the last two months in preparing timber, etc., for a sawmill, and he has all the machinery required on the spot, and Mr. Sarcanet expects that about spring he will be in a position to supply all the local demand for lumber. We wish our enterprising neighbor every success in his enterprise.

J. C. MOLLET.

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AGENTS.
The Travelers' Life and Accident Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn.
Accident Tickets 25c. per day or $4.50 per month. ja6-3m

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

THE MAYORALTY.

At the request of many friends, I shall offer myself as a Candidate for the office of Mayor at the ensuing Election, trusting that my conduct during the past year may ensure the approval of my fellow citizens, by again favoring me with their votes on the 10th January, next.

JAS. FELL.

VICTORIA, Dec. 16th, 1886. de 18

THE MAYORALTY.

At the request of a number of Ratepayers, I beg to offer myself as a candidate for the Mayoralty at the coming election on Monday, Jan. 10th, 1887, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

CHAS. E. REDFERN.

jan1

THE MAYORALTY.

Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers to offer my self as a candidate for the office of Mayor, I beg to solicit the support of all voters at the coming election. My service as Councillor for five years is sufficient guarantee that I am in a position to represent the city's best interests.

A. J. SMITH.

Victoria, Jan. 4, 1887. jan4

FOR COUNCILLOR.

Having been requested by a number of friends to stand for Councillor for Yates Street Ward at the ensuing election, I trust that my conduct as a citizen during my long residence in Victoria may secure the approval of my fellow citizens by returning me as their representative on January, 10th, 1887.

S. L. KELLY.

de28td

Johnson Street Ward.

I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for re-election as Councillor for Johnson Street Ward. Trusting that my conduct during the past year has met with the approval of the electors, I respectfully solicit a continuation of their support.

M. HUMBER.

jan4

Yates Street Ward.

I respectfully announce myself as a Candidate for re-election as a representative of Yates Street Ward in the City Council. I trust that my course during the past year has met with the approval of my constituents, and shall feel honored with a renewal of their confidence.

Respectfully,

R. LIPSETT.

jan6

To the Electors of Yates St. Ward:

Having been requested by a number of Ratepayers, I beg to offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Councillor for Yates Street Ward. Trusting that my action during the past year has met with the approval of the Electors, I respectfully solicit a continuation of their confidence.

LOUIS VIGELIUS.

Yates Street Ward.

The undersigned respectfully announces himself to the Ratepayers of the above Ward as a candidate for Councillor.

G. G. WALKER.

ja7

James Bay Ward.

I beg to announce myself for re-election to represent James Bay Ward in the City Council, and trust that my past actions in that body are such as to warrant a renewal of the confidence of the ratepayers.

F. S. BARNARD.

jan7

James Bay Ward.

The undersigned respectfully offers himself for re-election as Councillor in James Bay Ward, trusting that his course in the Council has been such as to entitle him to a renewal of the confidence of the electors.

D. W. HIGGINS.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 4, 1887.

To the Electors of Yates St. Ward:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Having been requested by many influential citizens to represent them as Councillor for the Yates Street Ward, I beg to offer myself as a Candidate for your election.

As many important works, the nature of which I am thoroughly acquainted with, will take place this year, I believe I shall be able to advance your interests and those of the city at large.

JOHN BRADEN.

CITY BALANCE SHEET.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1886.

ASSETS.

Municipal Taxes		$14,928 20
Victoria Water Works, Sinking Fund:		
	$100,000 Loan	28,650 00
do	50,000 do	19,786 00
do	20,000 do	3,708 00
Electric Light Debentures: Sinking Fund		596 00
Drainage Debentures: Sinking Fund		186 00
Corporation Debentures: Sinking Fund		5,924 88
Maps of City		560 57
Electric Light Plant		31,252 00
Corporation Horses and Carts		1,391 50
Town Lot 1419		2,419 00
Town Lot 1250		2,600 00
Spring Ridge Property		3,473 83
Pound Property		1,600 17
Street Gas Lamps		669 80
Road Roller and Rock Crusher		6,057 42
Drainage Account		4,253 25
City Hall		16,876 47
Steam Engine		1,000 00
Corporate Seal		568 80
Fountain		729 05
Electric Light Building		3,701 70
Office Furniture		2,356 94
Water Works Reservoirs		3,462 00
Water Works Reservoirs: Bank B. N. A. Account		1,538 00
Scow		200 00
Steam Drills		1,422 30
Street Sprinklers		190 00
Cash on hand		183 62
		$160,285 50

LIABILITIES.

Corporation Summary	$40,770 71
Revenue Account	14,928 20
Bank B. N. A	4,783 00
Water Works Debenture Loan: Interest	36 30
Ross Bay Cemetery	1,786 80
Corporation Debentures Account	20,000 00
Cemetery Property	1,980 49
Drainage Debentures Account	5,000 00
Electric Light Debentures Account	16,000 00
Streets and Bridges Debentures Acct	50,000 00
Water Works Debenture Account: $75,000 Loan	5,000 00
	$160,285 50

Victoria, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant,
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Cash Statement for the Year ending 31st December, 1886.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand 1st January, 1886	$ 239 23
Bank B. N. A., Increase of balance	3,653 56
Water Works, Rents	37,786 44
Fire Insurance, Direct Tax	5,187 50
Street Repairs, Refund	165 42
City Police, Refund Burial Fees	19 50
City Pound, Fees	279 75
Surveying Expenses, Street Lines	55 00
Street Lighting, Refund	91 98
Water Works Debentures: $75,000 Loan, Refund of Interest	36 30
Real Estate Tax	55,296 30
Trades Licenses	15,587 00
Wholesale Liquor Licenses	1,250 00
Retail do	13,125 00
Road Tax	1,641 00
Weighing Machine, Fees	222 50
Maps of the City, Sold	118 50
Police Court, Fines and Fees	2,782 60
Ross Bay Cemetery, Fees	1,897 50
Corporate Seal, Receipts	8 00
Streets and Bridges, Debentures	50,000 00
Water Works Debentures: $75,000 Loan	5,000 00
Bank B. N. A., (Cheques), Reservoirs Account	3,462 00
	$197,905 08

EXPENDITURES.

Provincial Government		$ 729 26
Water Works, General Account		15,616 52
Water Works: Sinking Fund, $100,000 Loan		2,360 00
do	50,000 do	1,750 00
do	20,000 do	412 00
Fire Department		14,759 20
Electric Light Debentures, Sinking F'd		596 00
Drawing Debentures, Sinking Fund		186 00
Street Repairs		28,776 99
Streets and Bridges, $50,000 Loan Acct		23,940 10
City Police		16,678 13
City Pound		823 10
Charges, including Salaries, Printing, Advertising, Election Expenses, etc		7,983 26
Surveying Expenses		2,197 03
Board of Health		1,202 75
Street Lighting		6,072 53
Sidewalks		6,924 63
Sidewalks, $50,000 Loan		8,005 13
Legal Expenses		559 60
Commission on Collections		364 90
Donations, including Royal Hospital, $300; Agricultural Association, $500; Militia, $150; Regatta, $100		1,389 50
Discount on Silver		26 50
Corporation Debentures, Sinking Fund		619 65
Corporation Interest		1,470 00
Water Works, Interest $100,000 Loan		6,650 00
do do	50,000 do	3,587 50
do do	20,000 do	1,600 00
Electric Light Debentures, Interest		960 00
Drainage Debentures, Interest		300 00
Beacon Hill Park		433 00
General Interest		1,335 11
Weighing Machine, Commission		20 80
Maps of Victoria, Cost		679 07
Police Court, Refund		125 00
Ross Bay Cemetery		1,280 08
Electric Light Plant	$18,976 66	
Less refund overcharge freight	242 66	18,734 00
Corporation Cart		150 00
Pound Property, New		675 30
Road Roller and Rock Crusher		699 51
Drainage		15 00
Pickering & Crompton, Sewerage plans		3,198 00
Electric Light Building		3,701 70
Office Furniture		44 37
Water Works Reservoirs, including Land purchased		3,462 00
Bank B. N. A., Reservoir Account		5,000 00
Steam Drills		38 10
Street Sprinkler		190 00
Vancouver Relief Fund		500 14
Cash Balance		183 62
		$197,905 08

Victoria, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Statement of Actual Cash Assets and Liabilities, 31st Dec., 1886.

ASSETS.

Municipal Taxes outstanding	$14,928 20
Cash on hand	183 62
Balance	2,512 58
	$ 17,624 40

LIABILITIES.

Bank of B. N. A	$ 4,783 00
Unpaid Contracts in hand	11,815 10
Accounts unpaid	1,026 30
	$ 17,624 40

Victoria, B. C., January 7th, 1887.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Victoria Water Works, Balance Sheet, 30th November, 1886.

ASSETS.

Bank B. N. A	$ 53,616 92
Corporation of Victoria	105,874 88
Construction Account	229,890 43
	$389,382 23

LIABILITIES.

Interest and Sinking Fund	$ 53,616 92
Debenture Account	162,500 00
Revenue Account	165,765 31
Redeemed Debentures	7,500 00
	$389,382 23

Victoria, B. C. 7th January, 1887.

THOS. RUSSELL, Water Commissioner.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

VICTORIA WATER WORKS.

Statement of Revenue Collected and Disbursed from 1st January to 31st December, 1886.

RECEIPTS.

Water Rents	$ 36,071 19
Services collected	1,715 25
	$ 37,786 44

DISBURSEMENTS.

Charges, including Salaries, Printing, Etc	$ 4,267 94
Maintenance	1,252 57
Service Pipes	1,775 40
Main Pipe Extension	8,320 61
Corporation of Victoria	22,169 92
	$ 37,786 44

Interest and Sinking Fund Account.

RECEIPTS.

1885. Nov. 30—Balance at Credit of account	$ 47,570 19
Cash received from the Corporation of Victoria, between 1st Dec'r, 1885, and 30th Nov'r, 1886, to pay interest on all Loans	10,455 00
Do do Sinking Fund	4,614 44
Interest allowed by Bank B. N. A. on amounts at credit of Sinking Fund	1,432 29
	$ 64,071 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Interest on Coupons presented between 1st Dec'r, 1885, and 30th Nov'r, 1886	$ 10,455 00
Balance	53,616 92
	$ 64,071 92

CITY HALL, VICTORIA, B. C., January 8th, 1887.

To His Worship the Mayor and Municipal Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Books and Vouchers for the year from 1st January to 31st December, 1886, have been examined by me and are correct. I hand you herewith Balance Sheet, Statement of Actual Cash Assets and Liabilities, Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements; also Water Works Balance Sheet, Receipts and Disbursements, and Interest and Sinking Fund Account for the year ending 31st December, 1886.

I may call your attention to the fact that the amount estimated for Electric Light Plant and Building was $13,000, the actual amount expended being $22,435.70, and for Fire Department was $9,000, while the actual expenditure was $14,759.20. The latter account, however, includes a number of hydrants, repairs to fire engines and 500 feet of hose now on the way from England.

Your obedient servant,

J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

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UMBRELLAS,
HOSIERY, GLOVES,
SCARFS,
&c., &c.

W. & J. WILSON.

LATEST STYLES
JUST RECEIVED.
THE
BEST & CHEAPEST GOODS
IN VICTORIA.

ARTHUR HOLMES, CLOTHIER AND HATTER,

Has just received New Goods and New Styles from the Eastern Manufacturers

Children's : Suits, : Cardigan : Jackets, : Overcoats

Waterproofs, and a Full Line of Gents' Furnishings,

18 fm Arthur Holmes, Yates Street, Between Government and Broad.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

ALBERNI TOWNSITE.

SALE OF LOTS.

WITH A VIEW TO MEET THE PRESENT requirements of the District of Alberni, a small Townsite has been laid out on the left bank of the River Somass, between Kitsuk-sus River and Rogers Creek.

Plans and particulars can be obtained at Alberni, at the stores of either Messrs. SAYWARD or Messrs. SAUNDERS, or at Victoria from MATTHEW T. JOHNSON, Esq., the Attorney for the Proprietors.

15th December, 1886. de16 1m

LOWENBERG, HARRIS & CO.,

Real Estate Agents

PURCHASE, SELL AND LEASE PROperty, Collect Rents, make Loans on Mortgage and transact all business relating to

REAL ESTATE.

Maps, showing the various districts on the Island and Mainland, the situation of desirable City Lots, Homesteads, Gardening and Farm Lands, can be consulted at their office. fe14

FOR SALE.

ONE OF THE BEST FARMS ON VANCOUver Island. Apply on the premises.

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TEN MINUTES WALK FROM THE POST-Office—Two pleasant, airy rooms, furnished; suitable for single gentlemen, with use of bath. For address apply at *The Colonist* Office. de8 1m

TO LET.

A COTTAGE, TEN MINUTES' WALK from the P. O., at the north end of Government street. House has all the modern improvements and conveniences. Apply to F. LELOUIS, corner Government and John street. de19 1m

FOR SALE.

The hotel business, together with the lease of the Pritchard House, the best located Hotel in the city, situated on the corner of Yates and Government Streets, is offered for Sale at a bargain. The building contains 35 Bed-rooms and 2 Parlors, elegantly furnished.

Large Billiard Room and Bar attached, and doing a good business. TERMS CASH.

Apply to

A. P. BRIGGS, Prop.

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FOR SALE.

A VERY VALUABLE PIECE OF CITY Property on the south side of Pioneer St., adjoining lot corner of Pioneer and Quadra Streets, 55 feet frontage on Pioneer, with a depth of 140 feet. There are three cottages on the property. This valuable property can be had cheap as the owner is about to leave the province. Apply to

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OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

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Losses Paid without reference to Home Office.

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ON EASY TERMS, BY

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EVERY SATURDAY FOR SAN FRANCISCO,

Leaving the outer wharf at ONE o'clock, p.m.

January 8th, "MEXICO"

Shippers must notify us when room for freight is required.

WELCH, RITHET & CO.,
Wharf Street, Victoria, Agents.
13th December, 1886. de14

Canadian Pacific

NAVIGATION COMPANY

Time Table No. 2, Takes Effect July 12th, 1886.

BURRARD INLET ROUTE.

VICTORIA TO—

PORT MOODY AND VANCOUVER,
Daily, except Monday at 2 o'clock.

MOODYVILLE AND HASTINGS,
Wednesday and Friday, at 2 o,clock.

PORT MOODY TO VICTORIA,
Daily except Monday, at 12:30 o'clock.

VANCOUVER TO VICTORIA,
Daily, except Monday at 12:30 o'clock.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.

LEAVE VICTORIA—

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER, LADNER'S LANDING AND LULU ISLAND,
Monday at 6 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.

PLUMPER PASS,
Friday at 7 o'clock.

PORT HAMMOND,
Monday at 6 o'clock, Friday at 7 o'clk

LEAVE PORT HAMMOND FOR VICTORIA,
Monday at 15 o'clk, Friday at 19 o'clk

LEAVE NEW WESTMINSTER FOR VICTORIA,
Tuesday 4 a.m., Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

FOR PLUMPER PASS,
Tuesday, at 7 o'clock.

FRASER RIVER ROUTE.

LEAVE NEW WESTMINSTER—

FOR HOPE, CHILLIWHACK, SUMAS & WAY LANDINGS,
Tuesday and Saturday, at 7 o'clock.

LEAVE HOPE FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND WAY PLACES,
Monday and Wednesday, at 3 o'clock

LEAVE CHILLIWHACK at 8 o'clock.

☞ Steamers leave by Standard Time, which is 15 minutes faster than Victoria time.

The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

G. A. CARLETON, Gen. Agent. JOHN IRVING, Manager.
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RAILWAYS.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway.

WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.

Going North. READ DOWN. No. 2 PASSENGER DAILY.	STATIONS.	Going South. READ UP. No. 1 PASSENGER DAILY.
Dc. 8.20 A.M.	RUSSELL'S, Vic. W	Ar. 4.40
" 8.30	ESQUIMALT	" 4.30
" 8.55	GOLDSTREAM	" 4.05
" 9.50	SHAWNIGAN L'E	" 3.10
" 10.00	COBBLE HILL	" 3.00
" 10.15	McPHERSON'S	" 2.45
" 10.25	KOKSILAH	" 2.35
" 10.30	DUNCAN'S	" 2.30
" 10.40	SOMENOS	" 2.20
" 11.02	CHEMAINUS	" 1.58
Ar. 12.00	NANAIMO	Dc. 1.00

THE SPECIAL TRAIN FORMERLY RUNning on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays is withdrawn.

Until further notice RETURN TICKETS GOOD FOR THREE DAYS will be issued daily between all stations for one and a-half ordinary fare.

H. K. PRIOR,
Freight and Passenger Agt.

R. DUNSMUIR, President. JOSEPH HUNTER, Gen'l Superintendent.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo R. R.

ALL PACKAGES OR PARCELS FOR transportation over this Railway not exceeding 50 lbs in weight nor measuring more than three cubic feet, will be received and receipted for at Messrs. HARRISON & McLACHLAN'S office, on Government street, next door to Bank of B. C. no

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R. LETTICE,

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SPECIAL NOTICE.—Four-Horse Stage for Westminster leaves Vancouver immediately after arrival of boat from Victoria, returning from there at 2:30 p. m. Passengers booked as the Sunnyside Hotel, Vancouver. [illegible]

NEW ZEALAND.

The Progress of Mormonism—Death of a Wealthy Miser.

On November 29th earth tremors were felt at Rotoura. Shortly afterward Tarawera threw up a dense volume of steam, which lasted for twenty minutes. Wahanga peak appeared most active. The springs at Rotoura showed increased activity immediately afterward.

King George of Tonga is reported to be dying.

An old bottle and bone gatherer, who has been living in a fearful state of misery and filth, clothed in rags, infested with vermin, and living in a hovel without a floor, died a few days ago in a private lunatic asylum, leaving a property worth £15,000.

According to the Greytown *Standard*, Mormonism is increasing in numbers in the North Island. A number of natives have become adherents in Napier, and they are particularly numerous in Gisborne district.

Uncle Sam—"Got a new idea, have you?" Naval Constructor—"Yes siree. I can make you a war vessel now that can meet every requirement. It's modeled after a duck." "Suppose a Canadian cruiser sees it and shoots?" "It will dive just like a duck." "Can it fly?" "Well, no; but it will sail like a duck." "Dive out of sight?" "Clear to the bottom." "Well, I dunno. Sounds mightily like those we have now."

A SNUG SUM.—Wife (reading the paper)—Here is an account of a man in Iowa who has sold his wife for $75. Isn't it dreadful?

Husband (thoughtfully)—Well, I dunno. Seventy-five dollars is a good deal of money.—*N. Y. Sun.*

Captain McMickan of the Cunarder Umbria has completed 800 trips across the Atlantic besides nine trips to India and ten to Mediterranean ports, having travelled in all about 19,000,000 miles, carried about 150,000 passengers and having had the care of vessels and cargoes valued at $480,000.

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W. J. Guppy, druggist, of Newbury, writes: "Dr. Fowler's Wild Strawberry is just the thing for Summer Sickness. I sold out my stock three times last summer. There was a good demand for it." Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry is infallible for Dysentery, Colic, Sick Stomach and Bowel Complaint.

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DAMIANA is acknowledged by those that have used it to be a Great Invigorator and Nervine.

DAMIANA acts directly upon the Kidneys making them strong.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Barque Hermine, Capt. Jones, from London, WILL COMMENCE DISCHARGING at our Wharf, on MONDAY, JANUARY, the 10th.

ja8-3t TURNER, BEETON & CO.

NOTICE.

S. ISAACS WILL CONTINUE THE FUR business at the old stand formerly occupied by J. H. MARER, Government Street.

S. ISAACS.

N. B.—All work guaranteed. ja6-3w

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXisting between Charles Spring and Alexander McLean under the name and style of CHAS. SPRING & Co., has this day been dissolved. C. SPRING will collect all debts and pay all liabilities.

C. SPRING.
Witness, ALEXANDER McLEAN.
EDGAR CROW BAKER, Notary Public de31

NOTICE.

MR. J. J. MACKAY

OF ASHCROFT, B. C., HOLDS MY POWER of Attorney during my absence from the colony, and will transact any business for me.

W. B. GLADWIN.

Ashcroft, B. C., Dec. 11th, 1886. de16-1m

NOTICE.

From and after 6 p. m. this day James' Bay Bridge will be CLOSED for Vehicles.

By Order,
JAMES D. ROBINSON,
City Clerk.

City Hall, Dec. 27th, 1886. de28

BRITISH COLUMBIA MILLING AND MINING CO. (LIMITED.)

ASSESSMENT NO. 10.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN assessment of one cent per share has been levied upon the members of the above Company, payable at the Company's office, Langley street, Victoria, on or before 20th January next, after which date all stock on which the assessment remains unpaid shall be treated as delinquent.

By order of the Directors.
GEO. A. SARGISON,
Secretary.

Dated 16th Dec., 1886. de2fdw

NOTICE.

IN THE ESTATE OF E. A. WADHAMS.

ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE CLAIMS against the Estate of E. A. Wadhams which accrued prior to the 17th day of February, 1885, and who are desirous of participating in the dividend about to be made, are requested to send their accounts, duly certified to the undersigned at his office, Wharf street, Victoria, on or before SATTRDAY, the 15th day of January, 1887, on which day a dividend will be paid.

T. EARLE,
Trustee Estate of E. A. Wadhams.

Dated Victoria, 18th Dec., 1886. de19

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE THAT AS IT HAS BEEN agreed that Mr. SMITH TOMPKINS shall cease to be Manager of the

ELK HOTEL, COMOX,

As from the Sixth day of January, 1887, all accounts in respect of such Hotel must be sent in, in writing, to me, JOSEPH McPHEE, before that date; and henceforth I will not be responsible for any debs incurred by anyone without my express authority in writing.

J. McPHEE,
Dated 17th December, 1886. Comox, B. C.
de19 1m

British Columbia Milling and Mining Co., Limited

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the office of said Company, Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., on MONDAY, the SEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY NEXT, at half-past eleven o'clock, a. m., to receive the report of the Directors, to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may then and there be submitted.

The transfer books will be closed between the 25th day of January and the 7th day of February, inclusive.

By order of the Directors.
GEO. A. SARGISON,
Secretary.

Dated 7th Jan., 1887. ja8

Medical Council of British Columbia.

AN EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES for admittance to register under the provisions of the British Columbia Medical Act of 1886, will be held in the CITY OF VICTORIA, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY next. Full particulars will be given by applying to the Registrar.

G. L. MILNE,
Registrar and Sec'y.

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A STEADY, FARM HAND WHO UNDERstands threshing, Etc.

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A MAN TO WORK ON FARM. MUST BE a good milker. Apply to

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PARLOR AND BEDROOM, WITH BOARD, vicinity, Christ Church Cathedral; for a gentleman wishing to receive piano pupils at his residence.

Address: Herr HEINRICH BOHRER,
de28 Driard House.

TEACHER WANTED.

A FIRST-CLASS FEMALE TEACHER wanted as principal of Nanaimo Girls' School. Applications addressed to the undersigned, will be received until WEDNESDAY, 22nd December. Duties to commence January 3rd, 1887.

M. WOLFE,
Secretary Board of Trustees.

Nanaimo, Dec. 2nd, 1886. de3

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, on the 10th day of January, 1887, at 12 o'clock at noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor and Councillors.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The candidate shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of notice, and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 13th day of January, 1887.

For Mayor, at the City Hall; for Councillors, in Johnson Street Ward, at the City Hall; in Yates Street Ward, at the Police Barracks; in James Bay Ward, at the Hook and Ladder House; of f which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, the 29th day of December, 1886.

W. K. BULL,
Returning Officer.

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Three Cases Clothing, 200 pair all Wool Pants, Assorted Colours at $2.50 a Pair, extra good value, call and see them.

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Both in SACK and FROCK COATS. Each Suit is put up in a Separate Box and needs only to be seen to be appreciated.

A. GILMORE, Merchant Tailor and Clothier, JOHNSON STREET.

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TO THE BUYING PUBLIC.

THE OLD RELIABLE

Gents' Clothing & Furnishing Goods

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WILL, DURING THE PRESENT HOLIday month, give to any purchaser buying $15 worth of merchandise, ONE NICKEL-PLATED CLOCK. Also, those purchasing goods to the amount of $25, will receive FREE a Superior ORIDE WATCH guaranteed for one year.

This offer will close on January 1st, 1887.

de12 2m LEWIS LEWIS.

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FOR aggravated cases of Colds, Coughs, Bronchitis, Sore Throat, Asthma, Croup and Whooping Cough, and affording relief in Consumption from coughing.

Does not make the stomach sick, pleasant to the taste, and contains no drugs or opiates.

Manufactured in Australia and in San Francisco, California, from the leaves of a peculiar variety of Eucalyptus or Blue Gum Tree.

Prescribed by many physicians in cases of Chronic Bronchitis.

Guaranteed superior to any drug, Cough Syrup or Consumption cures that are now offered to the public.

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Brocaded Silk Dolmans
Fur Lined Cloaks
Jersey Cloth Jackets
Fur and Plush Capes
Cashmere Jerseys
Berlin Wool Work

AT COST

Crewel Work
Plush Table Scarfs
5 O'Clock Tea Cloths
Plush Mantle Borders
Wool Antimacassars
Silk Umbrellas
Boys' Jersey Suits
Eiderdown Cushions
Edierdown Shirts
Winter Hosiery
Winter Gloves

AT COST

Dress Stuffs
Silks and Satins
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Knitted Goods
Table Covers
Brocaded Cloakings
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Full Line of Staple Goods at Cost!

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White Blankets, per pair	$2 00
60 x 72 Fine White Blankets	3 40
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66 x 84 All Wool White Blankets	6 25
70 x 84 All Wool White Blankets	7 50
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Nice Comforters, 90c.

Full Size ditto, - $1.15 and $1.40

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Clarence Block, Douglas-st.

WM. O'REILLY, Manager.

de12 3m

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE Dominion Government Agent, and endorsed "Tender for Laundry and Bake House, Penitentiary, New Westminster, B. C.," will be received at this office until noon of MONDAY, the 17th instant, inclusively, for the erection and completion of a Laundry and Bake House at British Columbia Penitentiary.

Plans and specifications can be seen at this office and at the Post Office, New Westminster, on and after the 5th instant.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with their actual signatures.

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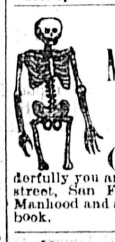

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MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS.

A BY-LAW

To Regulate the Election of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria for the Year 1887.

WHEREAS IT IS PROVIDED BY LAW that the Nomination for Mayor and Councillors shall be held on the second Monday in January in each year, from 12 M. to 2 P. M., and the Polling, if any, on the Thursday following, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; and it is further provided that the Council shall, in the month of December in each year, appoint a Returning Officer, and shall also name the polling places and otherwise arrange for the holding of the coming Election; and it is further provided that the Polling, if any, at such Election, shall be had and taken at such place or places as the Council by By-Law appoint; therefore

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. The nomination of Candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the said City, on Monday, the Tenth day of January, 1887.

2. In case a Poll shall be demanded at the Election of Mayor, the vote of the electors thereon shall be taken by ballot at the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the Thirteenth day of January aforesaid.

3. In case a Poll shall be demanded at the Election of Councillors for any Ward, the vote of the electors thereon shall be taken by ballot on the Thursday aforesaid, at the respective places following, that is to say:—In Johnson Street Ward, at the City Hall aforesaid; in Yates Street Ward, at the Police Barracks; and in James Bay Ward at the Hook and Ladder House.

4. Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the By-Law cited as the Municipal Elections Regulation and Ballot Act, 1885, and so much of the schedules thereto as are applicable, shall be read with and form part of this By-Law.

5. William K. Bull is hereby appointed Returning Officer of the said Election.

6. This By-Law may be cited as the Municipal Elections By-Law, 1887.

Passed the Municipal Council the 15th day of December, A. D. 1886.

Reconsidered and finally passed the Council this 22d day of December, A. D. 1886.

JAMES FELL,
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PASSENGERS.

Per str. PRINCESS LOUISE fm Burrard Inlet—R Winston and wife, W J Burgess, Mrs Loveless, Mrs Jemmett, J F McCreight, F Wells, D K McFarland, W McLeod, A Mara, D R Lord, Capt Spalding, Miss McDonald.

Per Str NORTH PACIFIC fm Port Townsend—Hon Quincy A Brooks, H Caldwell, Jno Redmond, J L James, S Keene, G Coupon, C Muckle, J Marshall, L S Emerson, J Marshall, M Isbet, J Simmomds, J Black, T R Stans, J F Charlton, J Sennings, Hayden, W H Leonard, T Rush, A Smith, R P Day.

Per Str R. P. RITHET fm New Westminster—Mrs Keena, Mrs Gold, Mrs and Mrs P F Green, Miss Harris, U Nelson, T F Walson, English, J Smith, W C Hayward, A Cameron, Capt Pyke, Lieut C N Payne, Jackson, Reilly.

For San Francisco, per Steamer MEXICO:—Rev W N Wetchtomoff, Miss M Cameron, Miss Emma Bell, Miss Laura Adams, Harry Dawsett, Chas Hayward, Jr, Warren Foster and wife, F B Jenkins, Chas Thompson, J P Bush, M McLellan and wife, Edwin Johnson, Michael Hart, Jas McWhinney, Edwin Scott, Joe Davies, M H Cowan, E A Wadhams, Peter Birrell, Miss Mary McAdams, L C McAdams, Dr McSwain, and 9 in the steerage.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE OCCIDENTAL.—James Dolson, Maple Bay; John Reid, Nanaimo; W Dukes, Burgoyne Bay; N Johns, Miss S J Woodbank, Nanaimo.

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ALMANACS.—London News, Carrell's, Frank Leslie's, Bow Bells, Queen, Canadian Raphael's, Orion's, Zadkiel's, Vox Stellarum for 1887, at Jamieson's, Government street, *

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NOTICE TO HUSBANDS.—What better Christmas or New Year's gift can you give your wife than one of thos No. 8 Elegant Stoves, sold at Geo. Philips' stove store on Store street. N. B.—Old ones taken in exchange, *

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

NEW WESTMINSTER'S city council will be elected next Monday.

THE SNOW in Roger's Pass is said to be six feet deep. Trains, however, are making excellent time.

IT WAS Judge Torrence, not Judge Fournier, of the Supreme Court, who died recently at Montreal.

NOMINATIONS.—The nominations for mayor and councillors will take place at the city hall at noon to-morrow.

POLICE NOTES.—No cases came up before the P. M. yesterday morning. Judge Harrison will occupy the bench during Judge Johnson's absence in San Francisco.

MAYOR FELL has assumed the indebtedness of the Mechanics' Institute, Victoria, and will preserve the valuable library till the city is intelligent enough to use it.—*Columbian.*

A CHINAMAN at New Westminster who was charged with selling opium within the city limits, was told by the Chinese interpreter that if he sold any more his tail would be cut off the same as his.

SEVEN keepers of houses of ill-fame at New Westminster were each fined on Friday $10, and the women who reside with them, $5; two others did not appear and a warrant was issued for their arrest.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The Band of Hope will give an entertainment in Blue Ribbon hall to-morrow evening. The children have a brass band which is well worth hearing. The social should draw a bumper house.

SOCIAL.—The second social of the American Club will be held on Friday evening next, the 14th inst., in Denny's new hall, Broad street. Tickets can be had at Frank Campbell's and are not good unless endorsed by the committee. *3t.

WE ARE requested to state that the government having authorized the trustees to appoint a monitor at the central school. Applications for the position will be received by the secretary of the school board until Tuesday evening next.

THE SUPPLEMENT.—We to-day give our readers a two-page supplement to the regular edition of THE COLONIST. It is the intention, if business warrants, to make this a permanent improvement. It is a departure which we feel sure our readers will duly apwreciate.

SOCIAL.—The American club intend giving a social in W. Denny's new hall on Friday evening next. The Queen city orchestra has been engaged for the occasion and an excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music will be prepared.

MASONIC BANQUET.—A. McDonald, of the Windsor hotel, superintended the preparations for the banquet held at the Masonic Temple on Thursday evening. All present pronounced the affair a grand success and gave Mr. McDonald the highest praise.

CLERGYMEN COMING.—HAMILTON, Jan. 3.—Rev. Thos. Scanlan, of Erskine church, who has accepted a call to St. Andrew's, New Westminster, B. C., preached his farewell sermon yesterday. He leaves on the 10th. Rev. Findlay McCraig, of Kingston presbytery, also leaves for British Columbia on the 20th.

NEWSPAPER SALE.—Mrs. A. S. Duniway and Mr. H. R. Duniway make the following announcement in the *New Northwest* yesterday: "The members of the Duniway Publishing Company have this day sold the *New Northwest*, its plant, title, business and good will, to Oliver Perry Mason, Maggie Allen and Lucca Mason, who assume charge with the next issue."

BENEFIT.—The "Blind Beggars" and "Ali Baba, or the Forty Thieves," were re-produced at The Victoria yesterday afternoon by the officers of H. M. S. Cormorant assisted by amateurs of this city for the benefit of the Protestant Orphans' Home. A number of ladies and children attended and enjoyed the entertainment immensely. The financial result was most gratifying to the promoters of the benefit who will hand over to the Protestant Orphans' Home a good sum of money.

AN OPPORTUNITY.—Attention is directed to W. Denny's advertisement. Mr. Denny, after years of labor, has decided to withdraw from the dry goods business and offers his entire stock for sale. He has been connected with the Victoria House continuously for the last 24 years, first as manager, then as partner and for the last eight or nine years as sole proprietor. The public will miss him from the Victoria House, but at the same time will be pleased to know that after long years of hard work he retires on a liberal income.

ACCIDENTAL DROWNING.—A lad, John Christian, while fishing on the wharf at Moodyville, on Friday afternoon, slipped and fell into the water. His companion threw him a plank, but he let go of it and not being able to swim sank before assistance could arrive. Every effort was made to raise the body and although grappling irons were used it proved in vain. On Saturday morning at low tide the body was found close to the spot where he sank. The boy hailed from Liverpool and had parents living there. He was employed on the bark Anamba.

THREW HER SLIPPER.—The Tacoma *Telegraph* relates this incident: "Jeannie Winston had been doing her prettiest, gotten up in red, *a la* Ellen Terry, posing her most graceful and smiling her most bewitching, when she joined hands with Lambertuccio and Lotteringhi, where, throwing her shapely foot a little higher than before, a good-sized slipper was seen to shoot over the heads of the audience, landing in the middle of the theatre. There was an instant of surprise before it was realized that the robust Jeannie was in her stocking feet—or foot—and then there was a general titter. The slipper was handed back and Jeannie put it on, but not without showing that she wag annoyed at the incident.

MACKLEY OVATED.—Last evening at the regular meeting of the G. A. R. Post over Frank Hans' saloon, after business had been disposed of Comrade Fred Mackley was introduced as a visitor from Appomatox Post of Oakland, Cal. An address of welcome was made by Col. Oliver Wood, Post Commander, and responded to by the visitor, after which by request Mr. Mackley sang his original song, "The Army of the Republic," dedicated to Gen. Logan. It was first sung by Mr. Mackley at the G. A. R. Encampment at San Francisco. A vote of thanks was tendered the visitor for his entertainment, also for valuable relics formally presented by him to the post. Mr. Mackley has received an offer as an inducement for him to locate here.—*P. T. Argus.*

ADJOURNED AND LAST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF 1886.

Coun. Smith's Resignation—Coun. Robertson's Disqualification—Kind Remarks—The Park Drain—The Civic Finances—The Finance Minister's Speech—Officers' and Committees' Reports—Councillors Admire the Mayor, Who In Turn Admires the Council—Thanks to Officers and Press.

The last meeting of the council was held yesterday afternoon at 2:25, his worship the mayor in the chair.

Present: Couns. Grant, Styles, Higgins, Lipsett and Humber.

COUN. SMITH'S RESIGNATION.

The resignation of Coun. Smith as senior councillor for James bay ward was read, and on motion accepted.

COUN. ROBERTSONS' DISQUALIFICATION.

Coun. Higgins said it was with regret that he learned that Mr. W. A. Robertson was disqualified as a councillor. He could fully endorse the statement of Mr. Robertson that the latter fully believed that his name being on the assessment roll was sufficient qualification. He could bear testimony to the faithful and earnest work that that councillor had always given the city. There was probably not a harder working member of the council.

Coun. Grant re-echoed the sentiments of the last councillor, and said that he could bear testimony to the fact that Mr. Robertson had always worked in the best interests of the city, and he regretted that he was compelled to withdraw this year, as he felt sure he would be elected again for Johnson street ward.

Coun. Lipsett was also sorry that Mr. Robertson was not able to stand for re-election. On all occasions he had worked faithfully and well for the interests of the city, and though he had frequently differed with him, yet he regretted that he would now be unable to seek re-election.

Coun. Humber added his testimony to the faithful work of Mr. Robertson as a councillor. He had frequently differed with him, but had looked forward to again sitting at the council board with him. He thought action should be taken before elections in order that it be determined that all nominees were duly qualified.

Coun. Styles was also grieved that Mr. Robertson was placed in his present position. He could bear testimony to Mr. Robertson's faithful work in the best interests of the city, and especially as chairman of the street committee.

PARK DRAIN.

A letter was read from W. T. Drake, stating that he had not signed the petition presented at the last meeting of the council as stated.

Coun. Higgins handed in a letter from M. W. T. Drake to John Kennedy stating that he had authorized his name to be signed to the communication as the non-clearing of the drain was an injury to his property.

Coun. Higgins explained that it was merely a mistake which had been made in the initials of the gentlemen; there was no intention of inserting W. T. Drake's name.

On motion of Coun. Grant both letters were received and filed.

THE CITY FINANCES.

The clerk read the financial statement of debit and credit for the year, which briefly is as follows:

Assets, with $183.62 cash on hand	$160,285.50
Liabilities	160,285.50
Receipts for 1886	$197,905.08
Expenditures, less $183.62	197,905.08
Water Works receipts	$ 37,786.41
Water Works expenditures, including $22,169.92 to the credit of Corporation	37,786.44

[The statements in full for the year ending 31st December will be found on 2nd page.]

Coun. Grant said in moving the adoption of the year's statements he would like to make a few remarks. The expenditure had exceeded the estimated revenue by $5,669.59. This item had been made up partially by the increased water revenue over estimate of nearly $3,000. The city pound fees had decreased, probably on account of its removal this year. The real estate tax had fallen short of estimate to the extent of $3,000. Trades licenses had about met expectations. Liquor licenses had also nearly met the estimate. Road taxes had fell short of estimate. Weighing machine had almost met the estimated amount. Police fines and fees had been $200 short of estimate. Ross Bay cemetery had fallen a little short of estimate. With regard to expenditures, that of waterworks had increased some $4,000 over the estimate. However, this would bring in a handsome revenue over the expenditure. The fire department had also exceeded the estimate by over $5,000. Electric light he would not touch. Streets and sidewalks had been a large expenditure, and out of the loan $18,000 remained, but there were $12,000 worth of contracts in hand. The city police expenses was somewhat under the estimate. The city pound had exceeded the expenditure. The general charges for expenses had exceeded the estimate, probably on account of the numerous by-laws which had been submitted to the people. The surveying expenses had exceeded estimate a little. Board of health also was above estimate. Street lighting had come inside estimate by about $20. Legal expenses had been inside the mark, which he thought deserved commendation. Donations had largely exceeded the estimate, exclusive of the Vancouver relief fund. Park expenses had exceeded estimate. Interest on overdraft at bank was $1,335.11. Ross Bay cemetery had also exceeded the estimate. Electric light had exceeded estimate very considerably, but a report had been handed in fully showing reasons. Electric light building had largely exceeded the estimate, owing to the putting up of a substantial brick building. He believed that when matters were fairly placed it would be found that they had done well, and were not a dollar behind. He would move that the balances be adopted and spread upon the minutes.

Seconded by Coun. Lipsett and carried.

Coun. Lipsett moved, seconded by Coun. Styles, that the financial statement be published in all the daily papers. Carried.

CITY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

P. J. Leech, city surveyor's report for the year, showing detailed quantities of work done, was read and on motion adopted.

SANITARY REPORT.

The sanitary committee reported details of work carried out during the year as follows:

VICTORIA, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

To His Worship the Mayor and Municipal Council:

GENTLEMEN:—The sanitary committee have the honor to submit a final report showing the number of notices served to abate nuisances; the number of persons arraigned for non-compliance with the sanitary laws; the number of underground wooden drains laid in the different wards during the year, and other important matters pertaining to the sanitary condition of the city.

Your committee took energetic steps at the commencement of the past year, to compel owners and occupiers to comply with the sanitary regulations. The Chinese residing on Cormorant and Fisgard streets were very lax and that particular portion of the city was in a filthy condition. Numerous visits were made to that portion of the city and the committee caused drains to be constructed wherever considered necessary, at the owner's expense. Ninety notices, in writing, were served on persons to abate nuisances. Forty persons were ordered, verbally, to comply with regulations, and ten persons were arraigned in the police court for refusing to carry out the sanitary laws.

An extensive system of underground drainage was carried out by your committee. Formerly open earth drains were used, allowing stagnant water to saturate the ground and endangering health. This has been, in a manner, remedied, and the attention of the incoming council should be directed to the necessity of constructing underground wooden drains in preference to the unsightly ditches which may be seen on many of our streets.

During the past year 19,400 feet of box drains were laid in the following wards, viz:

James Bay Ward	4,680 feet.
Johnson Street Ward	9,170 "
Yates Street Ward	5,550 "
Total	19,400 "

The death rate during the year 1886 was extremely low, and is a subject of congratulation considering the large increase in population. The secretary for Ross Bay cemetery, Mr. J. D. Robinson, states in his annual report that the burials for the year 1886 show a decrease of 86 when compared with the burials during the previous year. No infectious diseases were reported and the sanitary condition of the city is very good.

Your committee consider that the health officer, Dr. G. L. Milne, has been very diligent and efficient. We consider that he deserves great credit for his promptness and ability.

The sanitary inspector appointed by the present council has proved a very useful adjunct.

The police always willingly assisted your committee.

In conclusion, we would respectfully call attention to the vast difference noticeable on the streets along which underground wooden drains were constructed during the past year and the committee are of the opinion that the cost of constructing underground drains would be much less than the amount required to keep open earth drains in proper repair.

We have the honor to be, Gentlemen, your obedient servants,

S. T. STYLES,
D. W. HIGGINS,
LOUIS VIGELIUS,
Sanitary Committee.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

ELECTRIC LIGHT REPORT.

The electric light committee reported as follows:

To His Worship the Mayor and Municipal Council:

GENTLEMEN:—As the ratepayers confirmed the proposition of the late council for the suppementing of the electric light, a contract was made between the corporation and the "Sperry Electric Light, Motor and Carbrake Co." of Chicago, Ill., to supply two dynamos of a capacity of 80,000 candle power. These have been received and are in place, alongside of the two old ones in the building which was erected during the year for the accommodation of the necessary motive power, and have been actively in operation for over two months, with satisfactory results, except when from the breaking or slipping of the worthless belts now in use, and sundry other smaller causes, which your committee expect will be obviated by the time that the new belting ordered shall have come to hand. But even if the belting were all that could be desired, it was scarcely to be expected that there would not be some drawbacks for a time, in the perfection of the light. Your committee know that the light produced is good, and believe that it is fully up to the public's expectations, and they do not hesitate to state that this city is better lighted at present than many cities of double its size.

The intersectional lamps, except in a few spots, give a general and good light in the thickly built part of the city, while the masts in the suburban portions furnish nearly all with a fair share, much more so certainly than if the same lamps were erected on the individual plan.

The operative expenses for the year closed has been $5,980; a few dollars on the right side of the estimate made at the beginning of the year which was $6,000, while there are several hundred dollars worth of goods on hand which are required in maintenance.

The estimated expenditure to be made in connection with the enlargement of the city's street lighting power at the first of the year, including the cost of the two new dynamos, &c., was placed at $13,000, while the actual expenditure has been $22,435.70. The estimate of $13,000 was based upon calculations made by the consulting engineer with the understanding that the improvement upon the old building was not to exceed $500 in enlarging and on the frame work for the dynamos. But the present council came to the opinion, through the advice of the engineer, that it would be better to build a new and more substantial one, which was erected at a cost of $3,701.70, including engine beds, shafting frame beds, and beds for dynamos. The masonry and brick work for the machinery is all laid in cement with the greatest care. A brick chimney was built instead of the iron funnel, so that the sound of the steam exhaust might be muffled; a result which has happily been obtained. These extras account for some $3,200 of the amount over expenditure.

Unfortunately, our first consulting engineer died when the work on the brick building was only a few days in the hands of the contractor. As the mayor and council are aware, it was then found necessary to engage another engineer to see that the work would be properly carried on. Accordingly Joseph Spratt, Esq., was selected. Afterwards it was discovered that the boiler and engine then being built under contract at a cost of $2,700, was not of sufficient power to drive the four dynamos. In consequence, a number of changes had to be made in the internal arrangements as well as the cutting down and rebuilding of walls, so that the old engine might be put in position and operated in conjunction with the new one. This entailed in addition to the removing and placing of the old boiler and engine, the extension of the shafting, new pullies and a quantity of other concomitant machine work which has increased the outlay in this particular by nearly $3,300. Several other changes were made from time to time, in the distribution of lamps, the purchase of consequent additional material, the making of large pulleys for all the dynamos, the expense incurred in repairing a damaged dynamo, difference between single and double lamps, and allowance to Mr. L. P. Green, expert, for detention over agreed time, with sundry other items which swells up the sum expended to $9,535.70 more than the amount estimated.

The committee could suggest desirable improvements, but as a new council will have taken their seats in a few days, we think it better to leave the matter in their hands, with the feeling that the service will receive their closest attention

M. HUMBER,
JOHN GRANT,
Street Lighting and Electric Light Committee.
Victoria, Jan. 8, 1886.

On motion of Coun. Lipsett the report was received and adopted.

POLICE REPORT.

The police committee reported as follows:

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN:—The police committee beg to report that the force is in a state of fair efficiency. The force consists of 1 superintendent, 1 acting sergeant and 8 constables, with 2 plain-clothes men for detective duty. During the year the cost of maintaining a lockup and gaoler has been placed on the shoulders of the city, notwithstanding which and the payment of a large sum early in the year for a special constable to put down Chinese thieving, and the refund to the government of a large sum for keep of city prisoners in 1885, the expenditure for the year has been $16,678.13, or $132.87 below the estimates. New uniforms have been provided for the force during the year and necessary alterations were made at the goal.

The city will have to meet the cost of a new lock-up and barracks, the present premises being the property of the government which permits the use of the cells and barracks at a nominal rent.

The moral condition of the city is good.

[Signed.] D. W. HIGGINS,
R. LIPSETT,
M. HUMBER.

On motion of Coun. Grant, the report was received and adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT.

His worship said that in consequence of the officers having been delayed in making in their reports, he was unable to get data sufficient to place him in a position to get his report in order. It would be placed before the electors before the election. He would like to have the sanction of the council to his publishing a pamphlet of all the reports and business of the year. He felt that it was nothing but right that the whole information should be placed before the electors.

UNANIMOUS ADMIRATION.

Coun. Higgins said it had been customary with past council to draft a letter of congratulation to the mayor on their retiring from office. This had somehow been overlooked. However, he would now speak as to the uniform kindness and courtesy of Mayor Fell, the justness of his decisions, and the honesty of his intentions. He felt sure that he had always acted with intent to benefit the city's interests.

Couns. Vigelius and Grant also gave their acquiescence to the above remarks. Although they had often differed in opinion yet they believed that he had ever acted with the one object of benefiting the city.

Coun. Lipsett moved that a committee consisting of Couns. Grant and Styles be appointed to prepare a congratulatory address to his worship Mayor Fell. Carried unanimously.

His worship remarked before parting with them that he would like to express his thankfulness for the kindness and courtesy which had always been extended toward the chair. While they had differed on many occasions, still he had endeavored with them to work for the best interests of the city, and he willingly gave testimony to the energetic and faithful manner in which they had transacted the business of the city, and he would specially mention the name of Coun. Robertson in this respect. He believed, although many would cavil at this council's actions, that they had been productive of the highest benefit to the city.

CIVIC OFFICERS.

On motion of Coun. Grant seconded by Coun. Lipsett, a vote of thanks was tendered the officers for the manner in which they discharged their duties during the year.

All members present were unanimous in the high estimation in which the municipal officers were held by them.

THE PRESS.

A vote of thanks was also passed to the members of the press for their faithfulness in reporting proceedings.

DISSOLVED.

The council of 1886 then left their seats and went out of office.

PERSONAL.

Capt. Pike and Lieut. C. N. Payne came down on the Rithet yesterday.

Judge McCreight arrived from the mainland last night.

Mrs. Jemmett was a passenger by the Princess Louise last night.

C. F. Green and wife and U. Nelson were passengers from New Westminster yesterday.

Hon. Quincy A. Brooks, collector of customs at Port Townsend, arrived in the city yesterday.

Judge McCreight, D. R. McFarland and Capt. Spaulding came down on the Louise last night.

Edwin Johnson, police magistrate, left for San Francisco yesterday by the Mexico, where he will spend a few weeks.

Maynard H. Cowan, Chas. Hayward and Capt. Urquhart left for San Francisco yesterday by the steamship Mexico.

A. M. Stenhouse, M. P. P., arrived down from Comox on the Amelia yesterday to attend the coming session of the house.

Although unable to leave his residence the health of Mr. Harry Abbott is improving, and it is expected he will be able to resume his duties in a week or ten days.

Samuel W. Keene, stage manager for the Pyke Opera Company, arrived from the Sound yesterday, Mr. Keene has come in advance of the company to arrange matters connected with the stage.

MARINE.

The Mexico sailed from the outer wharf at noon yesterday for San Francisco.

Steamer Leo has gone to Alaska from Seattle with a cargo valued at $15,000.

Ship James Drummond is under the new shutes of the V. C. Co. taking coal.

Tug Pilot which has been laid up for two weeks to receive an over-hauling, will be ready to resume operations next week.

Ship Rosie Welt has completed her cargo of V. C. Co.'s coal and will be towed to sea as soon as the Alexander returns from Cape Flattery.

The San Francisco underwriters have offered $1,000 to have the brig Irene, which was abandoned by her crew thirty miles west of Cape Flattery, January 2nd, brought into Port Townsend.

Schooners Alfred Adams, Black Diamond and Bonanza have taken 181,000 bricks from Humber's brickyard to Vancouver this week for the C. P. R and Sweet & Cook.

Steamship Wellington arrived at the outer wharf yesterday morning where she landed some tubes for the tug Pilot. She left immediately for Departure Bay, and will load coal for San Francisco.

Steamer Barbara Boscowitz is being righted preparatory to putting her on the ways again. It is thought that she will be ready to resume her trips up north in a short time.

Steamer Beaver, Capt. Brown, left for Port Townsend yesterday to take the barge C. L. Taylor in tow for Texada Island, where she will load iron ore for Irondale Smelting Works. The Beaver will be absent about a week.

The tug Donald has been entirely rebuilt at the Union Iron Works, and will soon leave for the Columbia River and Gray's Harbor where she will be permanently employed. She has had new boilers and new compound engines put into her and in addition wrecking pumps and windlass which will make her very serviceable in the localities mentioned where marine disasters are constantly occurring.

Bark Titania will leave London for Victoria about the end of February. A trial of her speed will be made on the passage out, and every inch of canvas will be set in order to make the fastest trip on record. It is thought that she will be able to make the run out in 100 days, easily arriving here about the early part of June. The vessel that collided in the Thames some time ago was not the barque but the steamship Titania.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Arrived—Ship Oriental, Tacoma; ship Spartan, Seattle; steamer Columbia, Portland. Cleared—Ship Harry Morse, Nanaimo. Sailed—Steamer Umatilla, Seattle; steamer Oregon, Astoria.

WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAY.

That if you want superior Wines and Teas go to JOHN BOYD'S, Yates street, Victoria, B. C. *

THAT IF YOU NEED MONEY try the Victoria Loan Office, 44 Johnson street. Advances on jewelry, guns, etc. 6m

That—He.—"My dear, rather than make an exhibition of myself in that horrible Divorce Court, I'm blest if I wouldn't rather keep married as I am."

That—"Time expired; man ditto," was the reason a country postmaster gave for notifying a publisher to discontinue sending his paper to a certain address.

That there is nothing so elegant or in as good taste for a Xmas present as—your photograph. Pictures taken equally well in any kind of weather. Hall & Lowe, Photographers. *

That a Western paper was running a serial story called "The Truth." Last week so much space being devoted to the earthquake shock, the editor was unable to run the weekly installment, so made the following announcement, containing, perhaps, more truth than any other item in the paper:—"'The Truth' was crowded out of this issue on account of more important matter."

That an Australian murderer was sentenced to death a short while back, and from that moment up to the time of his reprieve no one could be more devout or apparently penitent; but, immediately on hearing the news that mercy had been obtained for him, he handed his bible and prayer book to the chaplain, saying, "I reckin I hadn't now no furder occasion for these 'ere."

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For Handsome Glassware & Fancy Goods
TOYS AND AMERICAN NOTIONS,
And Last but not Least Beautiful CANADIAN Manufactured Wagons, &c., for Sale at Market Prices.

ATWELL, KING & CO.,
—OF THE—
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request the public to honor them by inspecting their Goods.

LEASK & MORRISON,
THE LEADING TAILORS
The only House in the City who employ a FIRT-CLASS CUTTER.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INtend making application to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Lots 29 and 30, Group 1., Osoyoos Division of Yale District. The land is situated on the west shore of Osoyoos Lake, above the Narrows, in Township 49.
TH. KRUGER.
January 5th, 1887. ja9

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I have applied to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase two hundred and forty acres on Thetis Island, Cowichan District, commencing at a post on coast half a mile North from Crescent Point; thence 20 chains East, 80 chains North, 40 chains West, and thence south along coast to point of commencement.
HENRY SEVERNE,
jan9 Thetis Island.

FOR SALE.
The Victoria House, Dry Goods Business.
ESTABLISHED 24 YEARS, AND NOW doing a profitable trade.
The undersigned, wishing to retire, offers the well assorted Stock for Sale en bloc.
The brick store, 33x70, with fixtures complete, can be leased for a term of years, also the brick Warehouse in the rear, with entrance from Broad Street.
WILLIAM DENNY,
jan9-1m Government St., Victoria, B. C.

Johnson Street Ward.
Ladies end Gentlemen:
I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for Johnson Street Ward, and ask for your vote and support.
JOHN COUGHLAN.
jan9

Johnson Street Ward.
At the solicitation of several Ratepayers of Johnson Street Ward, I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Councillor for that Ward.
JOHN ROBERTSON.
Victoria, Jan. 8, 1887.
jan9

To the Electors of Johnson St. Ward:
In consequence of having neglected to Register, I am disqualified from being a candidate at the coming Civic Election.
Thanking the Electors for their confidence in the past.
I am, respectfully,
W. A. ROBERTSON.
jan9

To the Electors of James Bay Ward:
At the earnest request of many Ratepayers of the above Ward, I have consented to become a Candidate as Councillor for said Ward, and if elected the ratepayers may rely on my former economic actions being carried out as far as in my power, and and that I will at all times be opposed to running the city in debt. I am,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Yours respectfully,
JOHN BOYD.

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BOARDING & DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG Ladies, will re-open after the Xmas vacation, on Wednesday, Jan. 19th.
For terms, etc., apply to
jan1-1m MISS DUPONT.

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THE NEXT TERM OPENS JANUARY 10th 1887. Thorough training by graduates and other efficient instructors.
A competent assistant for elementary mathematics is wanted immediately. ja4-dw.1m

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PROFESSOR OF PIANO.
Herr Heinrich Bohrer,
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Private Address: Opp. Blue Ribbon Hall, Pandora St.

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Orders from any part of the Dominion promptly filled. no4 1y

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Yards and Cesspools Cleaned, Wells dug and cleaned, contracts made for removing earth, etc. All orders left with M. Wightman, corner Douglas and Fort streets, or Bossi & Giesselman, Yates street, will be promptly attended to fe27ly

NOTICES.

ANNUAL MEETING.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF the B. C. Benevolent Society will be held in the POLICE COURT ROOMS, CITY HALL, on Tuesday, January 11th, at 3 p. m.
All subscribers are requested to attend.
By order,
W. C. SIFFKEN,
de29 Sec.-Treas.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
BUSH AND SPENCER, OF THE GARrick's Head, have this day dissolved partnership by mutual consent. SPENCER assumes all liabilities contracted by the late firm, and receives all debts due the same.
J. P. BUSH,
E. W. SPENCER.
Victoria, Jan. 5th, 1887. ja6-3t

GEO. A. SARGISON,
Accountant and Agent
LANGLEY STREET.
OFFICE LATELY OCCUPIED BY J. ROLAND HETT.
jan7-tf

JOHN BAKER,
EXPERT ACCOUNTANT
Arcade Building, Government St., Victoria, B. C.
CORPORATION ACCOUNTS AUDITED. Accounts posted up. Statements and balance sheets prepared for the new year. Books systematized to or opened upon improved Double Entry system, saving half the work in balancing and posting. P. O. Box 595.
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To Coal Consumers.
The Vancouver Coal Mining and Land Co. (Limited.)
BEST HAND-PICKED COAL
$7 per ton of 2,000 lbs.
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REMOVAL.
I have removed my place of business to the Warehouse owned by W. J. McDonald, Esq., at the foot of Yates Street, next door to Turner, Beeton & Co.
THOS. EARLE.

BUTTER.
200 Kegs Choice Brockville and Morrisburg Butter for Sale by
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From the Stand to any point within the City Limits, one person	$ 0 25
Driving by the Hour, each hour	1 00
Dinner Parties and Theatres, to and from	1 00
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Balls and Parties, each carriage	2 00
To and from Church, each carriage	1 00

Hacks Furnished any Hour of the Day and Night.
TELEPHONE CALL 129.
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Across James Bay
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The Colonist.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 1887.

THE TOP-RAIL CLUB.

We have had a little fun—we women and girls of the Club. At one of our meetings in October, the last one we held at the Top Rail, Mrs. Raymond said that when her husband went down to Philadelphia with a carload of stock he heard one of the brakemen twitting another one about a black-eyed girl at Pottsville. He was surprised. Away off over the mountains, who would be apt to know anybody at Pottsville, a small village so far away?

Mr. Raymond had to ride in the caboose so he could look after the stock, and it was not long until two of the brakemen began to talk about Sally Summers and Dolly Deans, of Pottsville—both made-up names of women who lived in the village.

When he came home and told his wife about it and wondered who they were, she told us at the Club, and we said, "for a change," and to teach them a lesson, we would find out about them.

So the schoolteacher wrote a letter, pretending to be a gentleman who had seen Sally Summers and admired her, saw her on the platform at our station when he was on his way from his home in the east to Kansas. And would not she and *her* best girl friend be standing on the platform at our village station at a specified time when he and young Alonzo Debare, his cousin, would pass on the noon train? And would they not please wear each a scarlet geranium blossom on the left side of the corsage, the young gentlemen to do the same. The name of Harry Lane was signed and the letter mailed hundreds of miles away.

We were all so amused we could hardly bide our time, but at noon of the day specified we were at the station. We did not go until just before the train was due, and the schoolteacher and one of the other girls carried geranium blossoms under their wraps.

What was the surprise of the Top-Rail Club to find, sitting in the waiting-room, the wives of two respectable mechanics of Pottsville, both women a good ways out of their twenties, geranium blossoms and all, fixed up with gay attire, wonderful bangs, and looking very wise and smart and as if they knew something worth while—women of good standing in our leading churches, too.

To appear very innocent and to mislead us, one of them said, in a laughing way, to the station agent:

"Now, Jack, if you think Cousin Nelly won't come on the train say so, and we'll go back home."

Jack assured her that he thought Nelly would come. They never distrusted us. When the train came round the curve the two women stepped outside and took a very prominent position.

Then our girls hurried and put on their flowers, keeping back a little. The women stood darting their eyes here and there, in that bold, roving way that no modest women ever does.

When the train moved slowly away they still stared; then they looked at each other, and just when they turned around they beheld our girls with their badges of blossoms.

One Top Rail woman said aloud, "So it seems that Alonzo Debare wasn't there," and the milliner added, "And Harry Lane wa'n't on the train." At that all eyes were turned upon the two women, and the laughter that greeted them was far from complimentary. It was a good lesson.

We have discussed this subject in the Club. An ignorant, adventurous, thoughtless, motherless girl might have been idly led into this kind of vice, but how could women—the wives of respectable men, mothers of dear little children—so far forget their duty as to thus overstep the bounds of propriety?

This is one of the Club secrets. We never told it on the women, but among ourselves, at the last meeting at our house, we laughed over it while we sipped our tea.

We had something new to tell the women the other day; we felt real good over it, too, and this was the way it came about: Susy, the tenant's wife, washed everything about our house one Indian summer day lately, and we pitied her and said:

"Oh! don't mind those old gingham shirts of Bub's; he will never wear them, and we'll give them to Rube for very common night-shirts in the summer time."

"Now, Miss Pipsey, if I were in your place I would have Lily make them over into nice little Hubbard dresses for Rosemary," said Susy; "you can make lovely dresses of this beautiful pale-blue and white gingham. Take the skirt part out of the flaps; they are as good as new and not faded, and from the upper part of the sleeves you can get good sleeves, and the little yoke can be made of new goods, say blue and white stripe or large check or plain chambrey, with a stripe of the same about the bottom of the skirts. Dr. Marvin's wife, where I used to live over the mountains, always used up the best of the doctor's shirts for her two little girls."

Mrs. Oaks answered the question about beds and pillows that need some sort of treatment to remove the foul, unripe-feathery odor that annoys so many good housekeepers. Some women will persist in sunning them. The best and cheapest and most satisfactory plan is to put ticks out on a clean roof or grass-plat, out of the glare of sunshine, but in the wind and free, fresh air. Pat them up in a tossy way frequently; fly at them as though you meant business; turn them over and over; beat them so that no feather inside will remain near its acquaintances. This is a splendid renovator. It is to the close, muggy feathers the same as fresh air and exercise and a good game and hearty laughter and square meals are to the "humans."

We could not induce any woman, we fear, to believe that feather beds laid out-doors during a shower are invigorated and made as good as new, but we know from experience that the plan is most gratifying in its results. All kinds of bedding should be aired very often, taking care to remove in-doors long before the sun goes down into the west. In the November days we took a comfortable off the springs of one of the up-stair beds. It was not advisable to wash it, for that would mat and thicken the batting; it was too much trouble to rip it apart to wash and cover over, so we thought of Mrs. Oak's experience in renovating bedding, and one cool, frosty night we laid it on the green, fresh, third-growth clover. The night dews dampened it like a summer rain would have done. Then we turned it over once or twice during the day, and for a week we "treated" the comfort to all out-doors, occasionally patting and tossing and shaking it like a puppy would shake a slipper, and now that heavy, ungainly heap of bed wear is light and puffy, and sweet smelling as the autumn woods.

That was far better economy and saving of womair-power than to have washed it into a draggled, flat, heavy wad of calico and stale batting.

We have great faith in the "forty miles clean, vitalizing, wholesome, and health giving.

It was a little embarrassing when the schoolteacher, Mary Bennet, was aked, "How is Professor Lyndon this term?"

She made a very polite reply, and turned the conversation by asking Mrs. Stuart for her good recipe for yeast that will keep fresh all winter.

The Professor is one of that class of people called "touchy," or "huffy," and none of the girl teachers find any pleasure in teaching during his adminissration. They never know how to take him. Strange that any man or women can be so peculiar in temperament. If he sees two persons talking together, he is certain that he is the subject of conversation; if any one ventures to crack a joke, he is sure that there is a point in it meant for him.

Neither years nor condition seem to bring any wisdom to such people. The larger proportion of persons given to huffy ways are women, and woe to the poor mortal who is bound to live with such through ties of marriage or relationship. Such people will be unhappy under any circumstances; they can invent cause for misery out of the most delightful surroundings. Mary Bennett has self-respect, an insured social status, a sweet temper, and the only thorn in her path is the huffy, suspicious principal under whom she teaches.

No better bread than Mrs. Stuart makes; none with a flavor of ripe wheat, and nutty sweetness, and crisp, daintily browned crust, baked in small pans greased with butter, can be any better than hers. If the secret lies in the lively yeast that she always uses, the knack of having "splendid bread" as the minister calls it, can be any woman's if she so wills, and we give the exact formula, just as the teacher wrote it down. Not that she makes bread, now, did she get the recipe, but that girl gets a delicate little white envelope through the Pottsville mail pouch every Tuesday evening, and putting this and that together, it is very probable that Mrs. Mary, if not contrary, will sometime want to make better bread even than "his" mother makes.

Parboil, and mash by pressing through a colander, so that there will be no lumps, six or eight good-sized potatoes. Put into a clean stew-pan, and pour over them a cupful of hot hop tea, made by steeping a handful of hops either tied up in a soft rag, or, better, we use an old teapot, and the tea will pour out without any leaves or sediment. This is an advantage and one of the dodges that we found out ourself. Add to this one tea-cup of white sugar, half a cup of salt, and a heaping tablespoonful of ginger. Stir well together, and then pour over it three quarts of boiling water; stir well, and stand in a warm place until you mix into a quart of cold water flour enough to make it the thickness of starch. Then mix well together, and let it come to the boil, stirring all the time the same as you do for gravy or starch. When cool enough, put in about a scant pint of good live, hop yeast; stir well, and stand the vessel in a warm place where it will not chill, and in three or four hours it will be all a-foam. After it has stood until it is about as light as it wants to get, then put away in a jug in a cool place.

Mrs. Stuart says she has had it to keep good as new all winter. For every quart of milk or warm water used in wetting, take a small teacup of yeast, and make the usual way. But do not knead back, and let it rise more than once before you mold it into loaves. It kills bread to knead back time after time, almost as long as fermentation can hold out. Of course, it makes it finer grained, and whiter and puffier, but it is at the sacrifice of the very life of the good, sweet, moist, wheaty, foody loaf. It is on the same plan of women trying how much they can accomplish in a day, how much work they can stand, how nearly they can come to the point of breaking down, and not quite do so. You understand the homely and very practical simile, but not one of you women readers probably will heed or care for what we say. You would prefer to make "the whitest and lightest bread of any woman in town." Well, wear your laurels.

At the last meeting of the Top Rails, we were asked about how we kept winter butter, and as we just finished putting our thirty pounds away, not fifteen minutes ago, we have the formula very fresh in our mind.

It was October butter. A rosy young wife, living on a beautiful farm, with grassy meadows and clover lands, shut in by the greatest of autumn woodlands, and bounded on the east by a noisy winding creek—clear waters flowing over bright sands and rocks—well, she, the happy, rosy girl-wife, made the butter for us—made it just as good and firm and honest as it could be done, and packed it into new, straight crocks, that were fresh from the great ovens. We made strong brine—one gallon sufficed—to which we added a little sugar and saltpeter, scalded and skimmed, and when cold it was ready for use. We turned the crocks of butter bottom side up in large, flat, flaring new crocks, just as you would invert your cup in your saucer, and poured the brine in till it came quite up to the top. Marked with keel on the bottom of each butter crock the date when it was made, covered them over with a paper, and stood in the cellar. They will be used as they date, the oldest first.

Before any new stone or earthen ware is used at all, we put it into the boiler in cold water and let it come to the boil, and then allow them to remain there until the water cools. By this means the pores are filled, and the vessel can be used for any cleanly purpose as long as it lasts. If not, whatever penetrates first, jam, apple, butter, lard, pickles, head cheese, butter, sweet pickle, or milk, the first impression will always remain.

The milliner who belongs to our club rooms this coming winter with a nice, good woman, who goes out as nurse whenever there is sickness of any kind.

She has always been obliged to depend on herself. We ask her a good many questions, and she is not that kind of a girl who is afraid her knowledge will benefit some other one. She never feels better than when she can oblige a sister-woman. We heard Miss Mary, the teacher, talking with her, and we said, "Come, ladies, speak a little louder; maybe it is something that will do the rest of us some good."

And this was what they were saying: "How we do have to economize time! We come to our rooms often too tired to do anything but tumble over in a heap on the sofa, and yet how many poor women are situated even worse, for all do not have good health."

The cooking and washing are the tiresome kinds of work for laboring women and teachers who board themselves, and Marie was telling Sofie how she washed and how she managed.

Her night-gowns and chemise are made of shirting calico—white, with a small figure or hair stripe, or dot only—and they are not hard to wash like muslin. The goods is not so heavy, and is easily kept white and clean.

Her hankerchiefs—white ones—are made of white paper cambric cut down the middle of the width, folded over to form white, and appear just as nice as "bought-en ones," and are so easy kept clean.

Morning, noon, or night, just as it happens, she puts some warm water into a wooden candy pail, rubs some of the good kind of soap on the garments—generally the cold-water soap—presses them down under, and leaves them until the next morning, noon or night, just as it happens, again giving them an occasional turn or stir, and then when she is ready, it is the merest pastime to put out her little washing. The calico is so easily washed clean, and the paper-cambric needs only a cheerful handling to make it snowy as ever. Mary wears worsted dresses instead of calico, and that saves a good deal, is more comfortable, and looks better.

While we are writing, Lily is ironing for Ida, and she says, quite to herself, as well as us, "That was a fine idea of mine to make the under side of these little apron sleeves double, for one thickness has worn through, and here stands the faithful patch waiting ready. I wish all the mothers who have lots of little aprons to make knew how much it would save them. And calico is so cheap, too."

Since our last club report Kitty and Grace, the older children of Ida, have had that dreaded scourge of childhood, the scarlet fever.

We did not think for a moment that the dear little circle would be left unbroken, and the children knew it. Clark and Rosy were quarantined at Aunty's; the nursing baby, Lee, took his chances at home. For fear the schools would be broken up, the fact was kept a secret; Ida and her husband were sole nurses day and night; everything possible was done, intelligently and sensibly and calmly.

The doctor was a school-fellow, who loved "Hen's babies" dearly, and their patience and skill, and wonderful and watchful care, with unselfish and intelligent nursing, was rewarded by the recovery of the dear children. No hand of neighbor or friend was taxed or permitted to lighten the loving burden, only in outside assistance. Disinfectants, ventilation, bare rooms, even temperature, light, diet, cleanliness, and cheerfulness, and trust in God, were all exercised.

One evening we sat with Grace pillowed in our arms, telling stories. She lay like the petal of a white flower, her hands, helpless with rheumatism, crossed in her lap.

We wanted to draw her thoughts away from earth, and we said, "Grace, surely you remember dear grandpa, his pretty white hair, and how he loved, and the last time you saw him alive; don't you mind he called you to the bed and took an apple from under his pillow for you, a red, rosy apple, that he said he saved purposly for little Gracie?"

"I cannot quite remember him, Auntie," she said; "but I 'spects I'll see him before long, and he'll mind how I looked, and he'll meet me, and I'll have so much news to tell him. He don't know I'm in second chart at school, and that Kitty can begin to read, and printed a whole letter to Uncle Bub. He don't know that we have Lee, and that Kitty made a yard of nice lace all herself. Oh! I'll have so many things to tell grandpa if I go first."

But the Death Angel passed by; other houses are desolated though; God pity the mourning mothers!

PIPSEY POTTS.

WITTY CULLINGS.

Their are some great composers that are deserving of their name. Their works can compose an audience to sleep with the utmost ease.

Waiter—"I beg your pardon, sir, but it's 1 o'clock, sir." Caveley (who has lost himself a little)—"Watsh is it, waiter (hic), yeshterday'r t'morrer."

Passenger—"That's all the money I have." Conductor (examining a trade dollar)—"I can't take that piece." Passenger—"Ah, well, give it to the company then."

Fortune hunter—"Now, darling, say yes or no. I've only fifteen minutes in which to catch the train." Heiress—"Better catch your train then. You are not going to catch me."

A "gospel hymn" sung by the Salvation Army in Chicago has for its refrain "Happy as a Whale." We didn't suppose a whale was happy. There is so much "blubber" about it.

English milliners are said to have discovered a way of making bonnets of tissue paper so that the bonnet will not cost more than 10 cents. If this is true, young men can begin to marry on ordinary salaries.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox says in a recent poem: "Mine eyes are quick to catch the first dim radiance of the dawn." This seems to indicate that Mr. Wilcox won't kindle the fire in the morning unless he is spoken to.

Three months ago a New York messenger boy was sent to carry $200 to a place several blocks away, and as he had not got there he was arrested a few days ago. This is a shame. They ought to have given him time.

One lady meets another who has just lost her father, promenading Fifth avenue dressed in colors. "What! You are not in mourning?" "For so distant a relative?" "Your father a distant relative?" "Certainly; he lived in Chicago."

Young woman (at Central Park menagerie)—"And what is the name of that odd-looking bird, papa?" Papa—"That is a stork, my dear." Young woman (surprised)—"Are you sure? I had always supposed that storks had but one leg."

A learned astronomer tells us that the attracting or lifting force of the moon is such that it could pull asunder 27,000,000 bars of steel, each one foot square. Here is a good hit for the President. When he wants to lift a mugwump out of an office he'll have to send for the moon.

A scientist says that a woman who weighs 100 pounds here would weigh 2700 pounds if on the surface of the sun. But not one woman in a thousand will start on a journey to the sun in order to increase her weight. Now, if it were the moon it would be different. There is a man in that orb.

"Dockder," he said casually to a physician whom he met on the street, "I've got a bad cod in me hed. Whad would you advidse me to do?" And the doctor, who doesn't give something for nothing when he can help it, replied: "I would advise you to buy a dozen pocket handkerchiefs and then consult a physician."

A gentleman entered a Chicago gun store and asked to be shown some revolvers. "Here is a nice family weapon," said the clerk. "Family weapon?" "Yes," a family weapon. Just the thing for domestic tragedies. It has six chambers, sir—two bullets for your faithless wife, two for the ruthless destroyer of your home, and two for yourself. They are all the go now."

Unreasonable Old Man (to bruised and maimed son)—"There you are, with one eye gouged out, both ears gone, a dislocated shoulder blade, broken arm, and fractured leg, with whiskey enough in you to start a liquor store, and all for a college game of football. "It's outrageous, disgraceful!" Bruised and Maimed Son (reproachfully)—"Father you seem to forget that you were a young gentleman yourself

[illegible] will be paid for cast-off [illegible] in exchange for work at [illegible] Works, T. W. PIERRE,

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

Rev. Wm. Burt, late of Brooklyn, opened a new and beautiful place of worship for the Methodist church in Milan, Italy, on October the 10th.

The Methodst church in Canada has a permanently invested fund of $160,000, a permanently invested educational fund of the same amount, and a missionary income of $180,000 a year.

Lord Lytton tells the story of a groom married to a rich lady, and in constant trepidation of being ridiculed by the guests in his new home. An Oxford clergyman gave him this advice: "Wear a black coat, and hold your tongue." The groom was soon considered the most gentlemanly person in the country.

The Baptists of Missouri seem to keep their theological students low and work them well. There are sixty-two ministerial students in attendance at William Jewell College, at a cost of twenty-three cents a day each. There were preached by them last year 896 sermons, and 163 conversions were reported.

On Thursday Dec., the 2nd, six missionaries sailed from New York to Africa to reinforce Bishop Taylor. Their destination is South Central Africa. When they arrive there will be 64 missionaries in that region, all of whom have gone out inside of two years on the self-supporting method. Those in the field are reported contented and generally healthy, and are making encouraging advancement in preliminary mission work.

The Rev. George W. Bowne, recently rector of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church, Salisbury, Md., has been privately baptized a Roman Catholic, and will at once enter upon his studies for the priesthood. The church of which he was the rector was destroyed in a recent fire. Mr. Bowne has just tendered his resignation. His extreme Ritualism created dissensions in the parish.

Every mail from Japan brings some item showing the friendliness of government officials toward the Christians. The latest report is that certain prison officers have approached the native pastor saying, "The prisoners laugh when the Buddhist priest preaches; they go to sleep when the Shinto priest preaches, and so we would like very much to have you Christians come to try it." The invitation has been accepted.

In connection with the reports of the proceedings of the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Chicago, the following resume of statistics of the membership of Protestant churches of the United States may be found interesting: Protestant Episcopal (church members) 338,333. Orthodox Protestants, exclusive of Episcopalians (church members) 8,657,600. Methodists (church members) 3,685,600. Baptists (church members) 3,102,100. Presbyterians (church members) 937,900.

In the prophetic Conference held in Chicago, Dr. E. P. Goodwin said that it appeared as if the great Adversary, hater of all truth as he is, had a special dislike for the truth of prophecy. He said that when Daniel set his heart to search out the visions of the Lord, the angel who came to him was detained twenty-one days by the Prince of Persia; that is, the angel of darkness, who made Persia his special care. Yet it must be remembered also that this same angel was none too liberal in his information; and when Daniel asked what would be the issue, the answer was: "Go thy way, Daniel; for the words are shut up and sealed till the time of the end."

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

An exalted station has its inconveniences.

Men need *to be* just what they desire men to think of them, or often they will suffer.

The tax rate in Atlanta, Ga,, after two months of prohibition, was decreased one-fourth.

Another photograph is in pleasant contrast. At a public dinner "neither President Cleveland nor his wife took wine."

The New York Nation says: "Whatever be the merits or demerits of alcoholic drinks, the man who sells them seems always prone to become a social nuisance, and his shop a fountain of evil."

If we are a free people, and if our morals and political economy are debased and degenerated by the saloon, what is to hinder us from declaring a war of extermination to the monster by prohibition?

President Cleveland coming from a wine cellar of a friend, smacking his lips and saying, "That is the best whiskey punch I ever tasted," made a picture which every friend of the people or its head looked upon with sorrow.

These are "instantaneous photographs," but they will endure, and the people are profoundly grateful to the Sovereign Ruler that their chief magistrate, in his choice of a wife, has indeed taken a *better half*.

Prohibition prohibits in most counties in Kansas. Accordig to the n reports received by the Attorney General from seventy-two of the eighty-five counties, eighty per cent. of the arrests for liquor selling resulted in conviction, and only fifty per cent. of arrests for other crimes.

A saloonist in New York, to attract customers, has put his three daughters behind the bar, and congratulates himself that this stroke of policy has been a marked success. The murderous drink devil now seeks to trade upon a child's shame. What next?

Disembodied spirits and disembodied principles hold about the same relation to the activities of life, as one can be made about as effective as the other. Principles exist in the brain and heart. Policy is the plan by which principles are forced out into active life and made effective for good.

We believe that the prohibition of the manufacture and the sale of all alcoholic beverages, is the natural outcome of a thorough understanding and practice of total abstinence principles, since it cannot be wise, nor safe, nor right to manufacture and sell as a beverage, that which it is unwise, and unsafe, and wrong to use as a beverage. So say the N. W. C. T. U.

Of all poisonous liquors in the World, Bourbon whiskey is the deadliest. Strychnine is only one of the poisons in it. A certain oil is used in its manufacture, eight drops of which will kill a cat in eight minutes, and a dog in nine minutes. The most temperate men in New York are the wholesale dealers. They dare not drink the stuff they sell.

"By far the vastest and most influential temperance society in the world is the Methodist Episcopal Church of these United States. By temperance in this connection we mean total abstinence or abstinence from intoxicating liquors as a beverage. It is not so widly known as it should be that the law and discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, with nearly thirteen thousand ordained ministers, nearly two million of communicants and many millions of adherents, are positively and unequivocally directed against the moderate use of intoxicating drinks." So says the [illegible]erver, one of the leading Presbyt[illegible]ans.

INTERESTING LETTER

About this Glorious Province from a Sojourner at Victoria.

(Montreal Herald.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 15, 1886.

At last there seems to be a chance of better steam service between Victoria and the mainland. Capt. Irving of the C. P. Navigation Co., who lately returned from the east, has contracted with a San Francisco firm for an iron screw steamship of 1,000 tons, capable of making about 17 knots per hour, to be placed on the route between here and Vancouver. The contract price is about $200,000. As to whether local fares and freights will be reduced we have no information, but there is ample room for improvement in that respect as well as in the boats on the route. It is also hoped that some sort of arrangement may be made whereby Victoria can have a daily mail from the east. As it is, we receive a mail Sunday night, delivered on Monday morning, but Monday's mail is not received until Tuesday afternoon, being sent round *via* New Westminster.

AT HOME.

Two of our local dignitaries, D. W. Higgins, M. P. P., and Mayor Fell, have recently returned from a trip east and express themselves as highly delighted with their reception there. Mayor Fell was greatly pleased with the fire brigade of Montreal, and intends urging our city council to adopt several reforms in the conduct of our fire and street department. It is now proposed to construct a modern system of sewers throughout the city which will have the effect of considerably diminishing the amount of sickness in the city and will render Victoria, with its magnificent climate, one of the most desirable places to live in on this coast. Prof. Saunders of Ottawa has been here nominally for the purpose of selecting a suitable site for a model farm. He spent a week on Vancouver island and two days on the mainland, and goes home with the idea that he has seen enough of the agricultural districts of the province to form an opinion as to the most suitable location for such a farm. As a matter of fact he did not see the best farming districts either on the island or mainland, but as it is improbable that a site will be chosen before next summer, it is possible that the professor will make another visit and become better acquainted with the place before anything is definitely decided.

QUARTZ MINING.

Recent arrivals from the interior continue to bring in new samples of quartz containing more or less of the precious metals, gold and platinum. So far all the gold taken from the province has been got from placer mines, but there is no doubt but that great quantities might still be got if quartz mining were undertaken. Until now the obstacles in the way of this have been the difficulty of getting at the mines and the want of capital. Quite recently a couple of small stamp mills have been started, the machinery for which paid freight to the mines at the rate of 25 cents a pound. In the interior and in the towns near the coast companies are being formed to carry on the work of mining and working the quartz. Many of these mines have shown up richly and others more moderately. As before mentioned, the drawback is the difficulty of getting in machinery, and with the purpose of opening up this splendid mining district a project is on foot to build a railroad from some point on the C. P. R. to Cariboo. It is thought that with present engineering skill the difficulties in the way may be easily overcome. Preliminary steps to secure the construction of such a road are already being taken, and it is hoped that next summer will see it fairly started.

Politics in this part of the country are remarkably quiet, and the Indians at Metlakahtla are not attracting as much attention as they did a short while ago. It has been pointed out by a writer in a local paper that if Mr. Duncan should succeed in moving the Indians to the States, Victoria would lose in the way of trade about $100,000 a year.

DEVELOPMENT.

Now that British Columbia has easy railroad communication with eastern Canada, our local capitalists are making efforts to secure the opening up of our own province. At the approaching session of the provincial legislature, at least three companies will apply for charters to construct railways in the province. One of these, the Shuswap & Okanagan railway, will open up a mining district principally, whilst the other two, one from Ladner's Landing to Popcum, and the other from New Westminster to the 49th parallel, will develop some of the finest farming lands in the province. The last mentioned road is seeking a charter from the Dominion parliament.

Socially Victoria is very quiet. The men-of-war while here make things lively for the time, but in their absence we have to be content with a very ordinary performance given by some very ordinary travelling company or by very mediocre local talent. Although it is now in the middle of December the weather is quiet warm. Most people are still wearing ordinary summer clothing, very few overcoats are seen and one can sit about the house with no fires and the windows open. The weather is almost too fine, however, and makes one wish for a little Canadian winter with its skating, snowshoeing, tobogganing, etc. Next month is our cold month, however, and the little snow we get then may satisfy us. W. DAWES.

THE BIGGEST DIAMOND.

Great crowds collect every evening at Ely place, Holborn, to see the process of polishing what is deemed the champion diamond of the world. Within sight through the large plate-glass window the artist sits at his bench before the little upright wooden stand on which, fastened with the composition used for the purpose, stands the half-polished diamond, one part described as being rough and dull as rock salt, the other flaming with internal fire. The artist works on the stone with a curious looking polisher, an instrument described as resembling a thickish bit of ordinary firewood, with one end cut wedge-wise and covered with composition, and keeps scrubbing and scrubbing with a gentle firmness. It is stated that the diamond, which is from South Africa, will, when fully cut, number a third more karats than the Koh-i-noor, which will have to hide its diminished head in the presence of a luminary bigger than a billiard ball. To fair New Yorkers who dearly love and long for the diamond it may be interesting to know that the jewel is valued at half a million. The very chips that are cut off in the polishing fetch small fortunes. The king of Portugal gave $40,000 for one of them. It is proposed to purchase this magnificent gem by a national subscription as a jubilee present to the queen, to which the admirers of England and the English will be permitted to subscribe.—*London Letter.*

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SUPPLEMENT.

"OUT OF THE COMMON."

And the sunlight danced in at the window, and turned her hair to shining gold; touched the crisp gray locks of John Rogers, and made a friendly circle of light and warmth about the pair.

"I could not go against mamma's wishes, you know," the young lady said gently, playing with the ring on her left hand. "She has had a long talk with me this morning, and though I knew she disapproved of our engagement, I never realized before how her heart was set against it."

"And you do not think by patient waiting—by proving how earnest we are——"

"No, John. Mother cannot look on it as we do; she realizes all the disadvantages and none of the hopes that we have built on; and then—" the young lady glanced down once at her delicate hands before she continued—"would it be quite fair, John, for me to wait, and let all other opportunities glide by, and grow old and sad while I waited?"

John started. There was so much caution suggested in the words. No doubt she was but repeating them after her mother, but they fell chillingly on his ears from those young lips.

"It is true, Maude," he answered, while a look of pain lingered on his face. "You shall not let other chances of happiness slip by because you are bound to me. It is not the love I thought you gave me—a love which trusts and hopes in patient faithfulness. I am no longer young, dear, but I have risked much on this dream of love coming late in life, but coming for the first time, Maude, and"—his voice broke—"staying with me—always."

He rose and turned partly away from her, quite still, leaning his arms on the mantelpiece. Maude Branson, rose too, and came toward him, her delicate, beautiful face full of concern. There was nothing about John Rogers to attract notice. He was a very plain man, no longer young; but at least he had some charm of mind or soul which had won the love of a very beautiful woman. Her dress clung in graceful folds to her slender figure, a filet of blue bound the golden hair, which was coiled in classic simplicity about her head. He turned and looked at her, taking in all the details of the picture; then he put his head down dejectedly on his crossed arms.

Maude extended one hand, appealingly.

"John, you will take it?"

"Yes, Maude," he answered, drawing his breath hard. "I take it—and renounce it." He patted the soft surface once or twice thoughtfully. "All that came with it, and all that goes with it. Maude, good-by."

There was such a noble sadness in his face that it touched her. The proud head bent lower, until it rested on John Rogers' shoulder. She raised herself with eyes still wet.

"Good-by, John. The world cant't give just what we want."

"No, dear. What is it?"

"Your ring."

He took the pretty sapphire ring he had placed on her hand one day with only half realized rapture, and slipped it in his vest pocket. It was worthless now.

And so John Rogers left the house and threaded his way down through the busy streets. The sunlight still danced over him warm and beautiful, kissing his grave face, his hair, his hands.

"And let all other opportunities glide by," he repeated the words to himself, ruefully. "It's not the old fashioned love; not the love I used to dream of when I was a boy. Perhaps there isn't any nowadays."

He looked very tired as he ran up the steps and rang at the door of his boarding house. Clarice noticed it, his landlady's daughter.

"You look tired, Mr. Rogers," looking up from her work, and speaking through the open door.

He smiled wearily.

"Do I? And what are you doing, Clarice? Still sewing for those hardened little wretches?"

"Yes, isn't this a big hole I am darning? Boys do wear out their clothes so fast You are home early from the office."

"Yes, I had an engagement at 3 o'clock, and did not care to go back. May I come in and have a chat with you?"

"Oh, yes, if you care to," with her quick smile, a smile which her eyes belied, and which always seemed to John "made to order." She pulled forward a chair without rising, and went on with her darning again.

"I sit in here because it's cool, and I always do my sewing afternoons; in the mornings there is housework."

It was a shabby little parlor, seldom used by the boarders, who were principally gentlemen, and spent their evenings out, if not in their own rooms. A few tawdry decorations only enhanced the shabbiness of the threadbare carpet, dirty walls and ancient lace curtains.

"Do you never have any amusements, Clarice?" asked John, trying to forget his wretchedness by interesting himself in some one else.

"Amusements?" she repeated, pushing the curls off her forehead in a puzzled way. "Oh, yes; there's Mr. Jones, he plays the piano; and once Mr. Aikens, the elocution teacher, read a piece, and all the boarders came in."

John smiled, eyed the little maiden pityingly as she stitched away. She looked up suddenly and caught his eye.

"We did not always keep boarders," she said, proudly reading something their she did not like. "When I was at school we were well off and had a nice house; but mamma is a widow with eight children, you know, and I have to help her about the work."

"I know," said John, kindly, looking at little Clarice with so much sympathy that she quite warmed toward him, and continued confidentially:

"Once I had a beautiful time—that was a good while ago—a girl I knew at school hunted me up, wrote to me and invited me to visit her. It was in Philadelphia."

"And did you go?"

"Ah, yes, and it was a beautiful time!" Then her face falling, "but I had to come home. It was all over in three months."

"Ah, that was hard," sympathetically.

"Yes, it was, Mr. Rogers," taking up another jacket and beginning on a new hole. "For they were rich, you know, and it was quite like old times—their nice house and all—and then to come back here—the noise and the children, and clearing up the rooms—it seemed worse after that. But perhaps I shouldn't have minded it if it hadn't been for—there was something worse than all that," continued Clarice, working hard at the jacket with crimson cheeks.

"Will you tell me about it?" asked John Rogers, very kindly, his honest gray eyes softening. "It does one good sometimes to tell one's troubles, and I am so much older than you."

Clarice looked up, quite gratified at this unexpected sympathy.

"I will tell you, Mr. Rogers. It was while I was in Philadelphia that I met Harris—Harris Bell—and I was—so different there, at the parties I went to with Fannie, that he thought I was pretty, and told me so, and said that he loved me, and wanted me to be his wife. I had a pretty white dress, you know," timidly, and glancing blushingly down at her present faded calico, "and wore flowers—and—you can scarcely understand it."

"Yes, I can understand it," said John, noting the light in the brown eyes and the newly acquired color. "Tell me the rest, Clarice."

"And we were engaged—and I could scarcely believe it—but I was very happy. He was such a handsome gentleman, too, and so aristocratic, and I did not mind the boarders, or anything, when I thought about Harris. So at last he came here to see me; and he saw mamma and the children, the house and the boarders, and I can't tell you how it was, but he was different. He didn't tell me he had changed but he was restless, and it worried him, and I saw he cared. I am proud, Mr. Rogers, though we are poor now, and I broke it up. It wasn't the love I had dreamed of. I had read a great many novels, and I thought life was a fairy tale and love was beautiful. I always used to think, 'When some one comes to love me I'll never be sad or vexed any more,' and Harris seemed to me all I had wished for until I saw the house and the boarders fretted him. For I had dreamed of a love that would be out of the common, and that when I went away with my lover I thought I, too, would be better, just as he wished me to be. So I told him, Mr. Rogers, it was all over, and he said perhaps we were not fitted to make each other happy. And then he went away, and the work and the noise and the boarders fretted me as they had never done before. For somehow, although I could not love him as much for treating me so, the thoughts about him and the dreams about him were all gone—and I missed them so."

"Poor child!" said John, tenderly.

"But it's all my own fault, Mr. Rogers, I expected too much. There is no such love as I have dreamed about, and mother says I did very wrong to break it off. She was very angry with me; but I knew these things would always fret him, and I could not bear it."

"Clarice, would it help you any to know that I, too, have suffered, as you have suffered?" asked John, for two shining tears had dropped on the boy's jacket. "I, too, dreamed of love, and I found a woman whom I believed had given me that love; but because her parents found in me only a plain, poor man, no longer young, she gave me up. She gave up faith and trust and hope because she had not that real love which you describe."

He stopped speaking. He had forgotten the little girl in her calico gown, and was gazing abstractedly out of the window, hard lines of regret and passionate despair written on his face.

Suddenly he felt a little warm, soft hand laid gently on his his, and Clarice said:

"Mr. Rogers, I am so sorry."

He wrung the little working hand, and then he rose and went to his room and gave way to his new sorrow.

Clarice folded her sewing and put it away; but it comforted her as she went about her evening duties that Mr. Rogers had listened to her story, and to know that he, too, had missed the love he dreamed of.

CHAPTER II.

Several months had passed away. John Rogers had often found his way into the shabby little parlor and chatted with Clarice. Once he had found a bunch of flowers on his bureau, and no room in the house was such a model of order.

One day as he sauntered into the parlor towards dusk, hoping that his little friend would come there with her basket of mending and sit awhile, he heard the rustle of feminine garments, and looking up saw that his landlady stood before him. Mrs. Dean was a woman who prided herself on her former dignity. She wore a very long and dusty alpaca. It being no longer within her limits to trail silk, she trailed alpaca. Some persons are of this mold. Her hands, which she folded majestically, were very grimy. Rogers remembered with pleasure that Clarice was always neat.

"Mr. Rogers," began the lady with unusual dignity; "pray be seated. I have noticed for some time past that you have frequently of evenings found your way into my parlor, and passed the time in conversation with my daughter Clarice. I should not speak of of this circumstance had not events which have already come to pass taught me to be guarded. Clarice is no longer a child, she is a woman, with all woman's readiness to love pathetically. You, though not a young man, are a bachelor, and I ask you as a mother, to spare my daughter's feelings. As I said before, I should not have spoken of this had not a circumstance which transpired this morning led me to believe it was my duty, my most urgent duty. My daughter is in the habit of assisting with the hous work, in clearing and putting in order the rooms of my gentlemen boarders. This morning I entered your room expecting to find Clarence dusting—dusting with all the light-heartedness inspired by a well-fulfilled duty," continued Mrs. Dean, waxing eloquent. "Imagine my consternation when I found her kneeling by the bedside, her face pressed against the pillow, in tears. She sprang up and tried to hide her agitation, but—Mr. Rogers, I am a widow with eight children and a large houseful of boarders. I cannot have you trifle with the feelings of my daughter. If you are in earnest, you must desist," And the lady applied a handkerchief to her eyes.

It is said by some people that poverty is degrading. It had certainly proved so with Mrs. Dean.

"Madam," said John Rogers, with dignity, arising and laying his hand on the chair, "if I had not already learned to love your daughter, this tale might work upon my sympathies and appeal to my honor, but it could never make words of love pass from my lips that my heart could not echo. I cannot applaud your course in revealing your daughter's emotion, and which she would no doubt bitterly regret. I love Clarice; she stole into my heart when I was sore and bleeding; and if I have awakened any response I am a happier and more honored man than I had believed."

He bowed with the gentle courtesy which John Rogers always used toward women, and passed out of the room, leaving Mrs. Dean very much relieved, but somewhat humiliated.

John entered his room and shut the door. He struck a light and turned on the gas, pulled down the shade and stood irresolute. Like one in a dream he went to the bedside and laid his hand against the pillow. It was slightly damp. He sank down in a chair and covered his face with his hands. For a long time he sat there, motionless; then he arose, took out his evening newspaper, and lighted his cigar as usual.

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It was a calm June afternoon.

"John," said Clarice, touching his arm with a certain timidity she had never quite outgrown, "life is a fairy tale, and love is beautiful, only it comes in a different way."

"And this is the love we have dreamed of." And John Rogers looked into the dewy brown eyes of the little girl in the calico gown, and putting his arm around her waist pressed her close to his heart.

And the sunlight danced in at the window and touched the sweet lips learning to smile with heart content, and the grave fond face of John Rogers. And folded them in its embrace, warm and beautiful, bright and golden, and it glorified even the shabby little boarding-house parlor, and lifted it "out of the common."

TWO TRAINS PASS ON THE SAME TRACK.

"Talkin' 'bout peculiar railway accidents," said an old barkeman with two mashed, crooked hands and a weather-beaten face; "talkin' 'bout peculiar railway smash-ups, let me tell you 'bout one I seen when a youngster. It was 'bout twenty years ago, an' created heaps of excitement at the time, though I s'pose most folks has forgotten it by this time. But I hain't. Mighty good reason why I shouldn't forgit it—I was there, I was, and pretty nigh got done up.

It was down on the old Erie road, in New York State. I was a track-walker, an' one dark night was out on my section down near Hornellsville. I had just reached a straight, level place 'tween two curves an' cuts, when I looked up an' saw the head-light of a train comin' toward me. That was all right, 'cause that train was expected. It was the pay-car, runnin' back to New York. an' I could see she was a comin' like lightnin'. Just then I turned an' looked in t'other direction, an' by the great horn spoon, there was another head-light just comin' round onto the straight—a wild ingine runnin' back to Hornellsville, an' makin' sixty miles an hour, if she was movin' at all.

What did I do? I'm a-comin' to that. My first idea was to run, so's to git as far away's possible when they struck each other. But I hain't no coward. I've allus been noted for my bravery and veracity, an' it's the truth I'm tellin' ye when I say that I made up my mind to prevent that wreck if I could do it by risking my own life. Well, sir, I had no sooner thought of it than I began to act. I seized a sleeper that was lyin' 'longside the track there an' placed right across the rails. While I was doin' this—an' I did it quicker'n I kin tell you about it—it seemed that both ingines was on to me, an' them a-screaming like mad, I had just barely got the sleeper laid when the wild engine almost hit me as I drew back. Then I shut my eyes an' dropped into the ditch.

Guess I must o' lain there ten minutes or such a matter when one o' the railroad men came and tugged at me an' told me to git up—everything was all right an' nobody hurt.

"You saved us from an awful wreck," he said; "git up, old fellow; you're a hero."

"Saved you from a wreck!" I gasped! "h-how did it happen?"

"Why, that tie you put on the track was just the stuff, old feller, just the stuff. Our wild ingine got to it just before the pay-car did, and when we struck it we went flyin' into the air, clean over the top o' the pay-car and her ingine. Every wheel took to the rails on t'other side, and we run half a mile 'fore we could stop her."

I rubbed my eyes and stared at him.

"Oh, you don't believe me," he says; "but, look—there stand the ingines and you kin see for yourself. The wild ingine is between Hornellsville an' the pay-car."

I looked an' saw that it was true. In placin' the tie on the track I had done better than I had any idea on. My intention was to throw one o' the ingines from the track so that only one of 'em would be wrecked, but I hope never to see a railroad agin in my life if that wild ingine didn't jump over t'other one an' light on her feet like a cat. I had solved the problem of how to make two trains pass each other on the same track."—*Chicago Herald.*

FASHION'S FANCIES.

New pocketbooks are long and slender.

Black plush wraps are the rivals of seal wraps.

Velvet with lace effect in two tones is exceeding rich.

Ivory white velvet for evening dresses has tinted floral designs.

Velvet with Persian designs on satin ground has the figures outlined with tinsel.

Plaid velvets have not been a success this season, in spite of the attempts to popularize them.

Satin and plush stripes, with scroll designs in frieze plush in seal brown, are used for outside garments.

To make the tailor suit of cloth light and comfortable, the best tailors use silk for the foundation of the entire costume.

Dinner robes are of faille francaise combined with plain velvet, and a novelty consisting of stripes of figured velvet with satin ground in two tones.

Silver braid, passementerie, splanges and silver thread embroideries are seen on handsome holiday gowns of tulle, crepe gauze and velvet for evening wear.

Eider down opera cloaks are exceedingly light and warm. At first some of the lightest feathers wear off, but after this there is only a downy surface left, and there is no further trouble.

Table scarfs should be long and narrow, so as not to hide all the pretty wood, yet serve as a mat while forming a background for the pretty bric-a-brac on the table.

SOMETHING ENTIRELY NEW.

The magician now performing at the Eden Theater, Paris, has invented a new trick that will make his fortune. Says a letter: "He took a plaster head, such as may be found in any sculptor's studio, handed it around for examination, and then placed it on the table in full view. Presently, at a word from him, the white plaster assumed the appearance of flesh, the cheeks became ruddy, the eyes opened, and the lips smiled, then parted and spoke. Then the face (that of the pretty woman), faded again until it was a plaster cast. 'After life comes death,' says the magician, and as he spoke the cast vanished and there stood a skull. At another pass of his wand this too disappeared and a bunch of roses stood in its place, which in turn gave way to the skull, and the skull to the original plaster cast, which again developed into a living head, the bust remaining of plaster."

TOO LATE.—"My dear friend," said a minister at the bedside of a sick man, "I want to call your attention to the blessed consolation which religion brings in hours of sufferings and dangers to those——"

"I'm much obliged to you," interposed the grateful patient, "but you are too late."

"Too late?"

"Yes, sir, my physician says that the crisis is past and all danger is over.—*N. Y. Sun.*

A Pittsburg man recently knocked down the priest who married him. Revenge is sweet.

LONDON CITY.

Something About the Celebrated City Corporation.

New York Commercial Advertiser.

The 9th of November each year is known to Londoners as the "Lord Mayor's Day," for on that day the civic functionary known as Lord Mayor commences his brief reign of one year over the city of London. A greater difference between the mode of election and the functions of a Lord Mayor of London and a Mayor of New York it would be difficult to conceive. In your Mayoralty election a week before, which attracted such deep interest here as well as in the United States, your citizens voted direct for the candidates for the Mayor's office, and, when elected, that functionary is the executive officer of the whole city. Here things are totally different. There is no popular election here, and the Lord Mayor, when chosen, merely rules over a tiny, infinitesimal portion of the vast London of to-day, viz, the so-called "city" proper, an area extending from the Tower of London to the Temple, and from Holborn to the river—a mere island in a constantly declining population. There are some 50,000 *bonafide* inhabitants of the "city" proper, and some 4,500,000 outside, who are without any municipal institutions. It seems difficult to realize so extraordinary a condition of things, and yet this is the state of London to-day. Threatened men, it is said, live long, and the same seems to be true of threatened institutions. For this little "city" corporation, which controls vast wealth, and which arrogates to itself a position it is no longer entitled to occupy, has been threatened for some time by radical onslaughts, and yet it still lives, and had its annual gala day last Tuesday.

Nor is the Lord Mayor selected by a popular vote, for the city corporation is perhaps the closest and least popular body in the country. A Lord Mayor is each year selected by rotation from among the city Aldermen who have served the office of Sheriff. The persons who make the selections are the "livery men" of the various guilds, who meet for that purpose on December the 29th. In past times these so-called livery men were generally traders carrying on business within the city of London. To-day many of them have no connection whatever with the city. The livery companies are now bodies of wealthy men, into whose ranks possession of money and profession of Tory politics are the necessary conditions of entrance. Every Alderman is the livery man of a guild, and the Court of Aldermen have the right to grant powers to the livery companies to increase their livery—i. e., to increase the persons who can purchase the legal right to vote in the election of city officers and parliamentary representatives. Thus the whole government and suffrage of the "city" is based on money, and a more corrupt arrangement probably does not exist in the world,

There are twenty-six Aldermen in the "city," each representing one ward Some of these wards are absurdly small, one of them containing less than 300 constituents, so that a Lord Mayor of London may have been originally elected by less than 150 votes as an alderman. When in office the Lord Mayor is a judge of the Central Criminal Court (though he may be as ignorant of law as a Hottentot of the differential calculus), a justice of the peace and chairman of the Court of Aldermen, the Court of Common Council, and the Court of Common Hall. He is also a member of the Privy Council, chief butler at a royal coronation, and a dispenser in chief of civic hospitality. When I add that it has sometimes happened that a Lord Mayor could not speak the English language without some painful errors common to cockneydom the read will have a sense of the charming incongruity of things. The late Lord Mayor, however, used to startle his audience sometimes by excellent French, and the present Lord Mayor is a university graduate. A Lord Mayor has a chaplain provided for him to look after his spiritual welfare, but with strict injunctions to avoid mention of all ugly texts, such as that describing the difficulty of rich men entering the kingdom of heaven. In the "city," they believe in expurgated bibles. The Lord Mayor is further allowed £10,000 ($50,000) per annum for his ordinary year's expenses, the use of £40,000 worth of city plate and a huge, clumsy, gilt carriage, which is said to be constantly needing lrage sums for repairs, to prevent it falling in pieces. The Lord Mayor has robes and a civic chain, and the Aldermen and Councillors have robes also. The Common Council is composed of 206 persons. It elects most of the officers of the city, and has unlimited control over the cash.

The Lord Mayor's banquets have obtained a world-wide renown. They are in reality monstrous displays of extravagance and gluttony, forming a painful contrast to the misery and poverty which hem the city in on all sides; and when it is remembered that the cost of these banquets is defrayed out of public funds that might be used for the benefit of the negleted and badly governed London people, the abuse seems all the more monstrous. Some years ago, when the Prince of Wales received the freedom of the city, the banquet that was given in celebration of the event cost about £27,000 ($135,000), which all came out of the city funds controlled by these close corporations. On that occasion the wine alone cost nearly $25,000, and the *menu* cards cost hundreds of pounds. Within almost a stone's throw of the ancient Guildhall people have died during the last three or four years of literal starvation.

England is supposed to be a free-trade nation, but this "city" corporation raises large sums by taxes on commodities—a species of tariff similar to the active duties levied in French towns. In 1694, by corrupt means the "city" succeeded in getting a taxing power over coal and wine. Thirteen pence per ton is levied on all coal coming within fifteen miles of St. Paul's Cathedral, of which 9d. per ton goes to the general metropolitan improvements and 4d. for "city" improvements. The coal and wine dues produced in 1880 the sum of £487,000 ($2,435,000). All grain coming into the port of London is taxed, and in 1880 the sum of £23,325 was collected from this source. The "city" has also the control of markets, and it has prevented good market accommodation from being established in order to bolster up its monopolies. And further, the "city" extends its grasp over a portion of the North of Ireland—it at present enjoying municipal rights over Londonderry and Coleraine, and controlling lands and fisheries. These privileges date from the time of James I. in whose reign lands were forcibly taken from the Irish people and divided among the livery companies.

The "city" is well lighted, paved and drained, and its police arrangements are good. And this ought to be the case, with such vast funds to draw upon. But speaking generally the "city" corporation is a great instrument of corruption. It is simply a huge gang of wealthy men—who manage to line their pockets well, and who stand by each other against all reforming assaults. No wonder there is such anxiety to defend this citadel of privilege, for pretty big interests are a stake. But it is probably not likely to last in its present form very much long Esquimalt.

FOR THE LADIES.

Pillow shams are out of fashion.

Portieres should be of heavy material, and may be of Turcoman, tapestry or plush.

The Queen of Portugal is taking daily lessons in painting from the famous Casnova.

White grenadine curtains, with Cluny lace insertion and edging, are used in drawing-rooms.

Handsome lamps are used even in houses where there is gas. They are of porcelain, brass or bronze, with fancy shades.

Mrs. Lucy Tempest, of England has left her money to the Battersea Home for Lost Dogs on condition that the dogs shall fast on each anniversary of her death.

The smaller the room, the lighter should be the furniture, and the decoration of the wail. A large room should have heavy furniture, and the walls may be dark.

A bedroom should never be sombre, the brighter the better. White scrim curtains with antique lace border and insertion are liked for chamber windows, The walls should be of a light tint, the pictures restful and pleasing.

Ainsworth, Neb., has a woman who patronizes the saloons, swears profusely, carries a revolver in her hip pocket, and makes herself real bad—as bad as a man.

Mrs. Hugh Jones, of Erie, Pa., has received official notification from Calcutta that her brother has died there, leaving an estate of $5,000,000, which is to be divided between her and two other sisters.

Scarfs are greatly in favor, and are put to numerous uses. Chair scarfs are more stylish than tidies, especially for straight back chairs. Mantles are often draped with scarfs instead of lambrequins, and bureaus, sideboards and tables, are covered with long scarfs with ornamental ends.

There are many things more important about a home than fine furnishings. A room in winter should have all the sun possible; a bright fire, two or three easy chairs, a few extra cushions and a readable book with the leaves uncut, would go far towards making the plainest room cosy and comfortable.

Do not buy an ugly piece of furniture simply because it is cheap. In purchasing, consider comfort first, then beauty. Try to combine the two in all you purchase. Do not be in haste to get everything at once, but gradually build up your home until it is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever," to all its inmates.

A City of Mexico correspondent writes: One very funny custom of the theatres here is their manner of keeping their reserved seat diagram, the seats being marked upon it by small holes, in which are placed wooden pegs. When you buy a reserved seat the ticket seller removes the peg from the hole you have selected and gives it to you as your check. The ushers know the seat it designates by the length or color of the peg. This seems incredible, but it is true. As soon as the act drop falls every gentleman puts on his hat, rises from his seat, and turns about to take a view of the house through his lorgnette. They subsequently pass into the aisles to greet their friends, and remain there talking until the prompter's bell warns them that another act is about to begin. Then they hurry to their places and remove their hats. The appearance of a Mexican theatre between acts—its aisles crowded with groups of men talking and gesticulating wildly—would cause an unsophisticated American to think that free fights were in progress all over the house. Very few ladies wear hats or bonnets in the street, substituting black lace mantillas instead, and even these are dispensed with at theatres—their hair being elaborately dressed—and as the great majority of the gentlemen are in full evening dress, the appearance of a Mexican audience is very brilliant.

FOR QUIET MOMENTS.

Man cannot stay the mightiness of the march of his love.

Nothing makes a man strong like a call upon him for help.

We often do more good by our sympathy than by our labor.

It needs a great nature to bear the weight of a great gratitude.

No fountain is so small but that heaven may be imaged in its bosom.

A prayer in its simplest definition is merely a wish turned Godward.

Few delights can equal the mere presence of one whom we trust utterly.

If you would not cease to love mankind, you must not cease to do them good.

How rich this earth seems when we regard it—crowded with the loves of home!

There are thousands willing to do great things for one willing to do a small thing.

But if for any wish though darest not pray, then pray to God to cast that wish away.

Trust God to weave your little thread into the great web, though the pattern shows it not yet.

Love is the only key of knowledge as of art, nothing is truly ours but what we learn by heart.

The disposition to give a cup of cold water is far nobler property than the finest intellect.

All that God owns He constantly is healing, quietly, gently, softly, but most surely.

He whom God hath gifted with the love of retirement possesses as it were an extra sense.

We are nearer neighbors to ourselves than whiteness to snow, or weight to stones,

But those who work well in the depths more easily understand the heights, for, indeed, in their own true nature they are one and the same.

We may spoil gratitune as we offer it by insisting on its recognition. To receive honestly is the best thanks for a good thing.

No man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when to-morrow's burden is added to the burden of to-day, that the weight is more than a man can bear.

A man's heart gets cold if he does not keep it warm by living in it, and a censorious man is one who ordinarily lives out of his own heart.

When one has learned to seek the honor that cometh from God only, he will take the withholding of the honor that comes from man very quietly indeed.

I expect to pass through this life but once. If therefore there is any kindness I can show, or any good I can do to my fellow being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass his way again.

It is rare when injustice, or slights patiently borne, do not leave the heart at the close of the day filled with marvellous joy and peace. It is the seed God has sown, springing up and bearing fruit.

There are times in our lives when all world seems to turn against us. Our motives are misunderstood, our words misconstrued, a malicious smile or an unkind word reveals to us the unfriendliness of others. Our advances are repulsed, or met with icy coldness; a dry refusal arrests on our lips the offer to help. Oh, how hard it all seems, and the more so, that we cannot divine the cause. Courage, patience, poor disconsolate one! God is making a furrow in your heart, where he will surely sow his grace,

GOVERNMENT TAXES.]

SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

Remaining unpaid in Victoria, Lake, North and South Saanich Districts, on account of assessment made in 1885. Taxes collectible on and after the 2nd of January, 1886.

Name of Person Assessed.	Description of Tax.	Description of the Parcels, Sections, or Lots.	Amount
Allsop, Thomas	Real property	Part of section 71, 3 59/60 acres, Lake District	$ 30
Anderson, A.	" "	Section 19, range 2 E. 57 acres, North Saanich Dis.	1 50
Cæsar, Randall	" "	Section 67, 100 acres, Lake District	5 00
Clarke, W. R.	Real and wild land.	Part of sec. 72, 54 acres, part of sec. 73, 54 acres, and part of sec. 74, 54 acres, Lake District	11 25
Draper, Catherine	Real property	Lot 2, sec. 5, 1 acre, Topaze Avenue, Victoria District	2 25
Green, A A. & Prevost, J. C.	" "	Part of S 19, ¾ acre, part of S. 64, 1½ acres " "	6 00
Hoey, Ellenor, Mrs.	" "	Lot 4, sections 45 and 85, 87 acres " "	6 00
Irvine, Robert	" "	Lots 12 & 25, ss 29 & 30, 2½ acres, Oakland " "	1 50
Reid, Thomas	" "	L. 3. s. 36, 14.50 ac's, ls. 2 & 3, -. 37, 50 ac's " "	13 60
Scott, Edmund	Real and wild land.	Part of sec. 3, range 1 E., 9½ ac es, S. Saanich Dis	8 13
Short, William	Real property	Lot 16, section 74, 4.72 acres, Victoria District	88
Wilson, William	" "	Part of section 21, 25 acres, " "	14 00
Rithet, R. P.	" "	Lot 8, section 25, Richmond estate, " "	1 00
Unknown	" "	Part of lot 23, sections 29 & 30, 5 acres, " "	2 50
IN ESQUIMALT, HIGHLAND, METCHOSIN AND SOOKE DISTRICTS.			
Blackall, George	Real property	Part of section 10, 2 acres, Esquimalt District	$ 4
Buck, George	" "	E. ½ of 1. 8, & all of l. 9, suburban l. 45, Esquimalt Dis	75
Bruce, Josephine	" "	Part of the W. ½ of lot 5, and part of the E. ½ of lot 6, section 31, Lime Bay, Esquimalt District	75
Chilovick, E.	" "	Part of lot 18, part of the E. ½ of lot 24, and part of lot 25, suburban lot 43, Esquimalt District	1 12
Crocket, George	" "	Lot 14, section 31, Lime Bay. " "	75
Dall, W. L.	" "	Part of suburban lots 33 and 34, 2 40/41 acres, part of suburban lot 49, 3¾ acres, and part of suburban lot 51, ½ acre, Esquimalt District	10
Hanvey, C. B. H.	" "	Lots 22 and 26, sec. 31, Lime Bay, Esquimalt District	1 50
Keller, J. P.	Real and wild land.	Part of suburban lot 50, 20/41 of 6 acres " "	20 36
Lawrence, George	" "	Section 76, 100 acres, Esquimalt District	8 25
Nesbitt, Samuel, estate	Real property	Part of lot 6*, subdivision lots 193 & 21, Esquimalt Dis't	6 00
Orr, Cyrus	" "	Lot 23, section 31, Lime Bay, " "	75
Salmon, E. J	" "	Lots 25 and 29, sec. 31, " "	1 50
Salmon, E. J., & Levy, Jos.	" "	W. ½ of lot 32, and 15 feet wide from front to rear of lot 36, section 31, Lime Bay, Esquimalt Dis't	75
Do. do.	" "	45 feet wide from front to rear of lot 36, section 31, Lime Bay, Esquimalt District	60
Strand, Louis	" "	Lot 18, section 31, Lime Bay, Esquimalt District	75
Weler, George	" "	Lot 23, suburban lots 10 and 25, " "	6 00
Wren, John, estate	" "	Part of lot 72, sec. 31, Victoria, W., " "	40
Wilcox, James estate	" "	Subd's 7, 8, 15 & 16, of l. 113, s. 31, Victoria W., Es. D.	1 50
Salmond, William	Real and wild land.	Part of section 37, 131 acres, Sooke District	8 60
Holmes, James	" "	Part of sec. 67, 25 acres, and 67a, 25 ac's, Metchosin D.	3 75
IN BARCLAY, COAST, RUPERT, SAYWARD, RENFREW, JAMES' ISLAND AND QUATSINO DISTRICTS.			
British American Pkg. Co.	Real property		$ 12 50
Clarke, W. R.	Real and wild land.	½ S. E. ¼ of section 28, 75 acres, Barclay District	4 88
do	" "	¼ portion of 1 undivided ½ of s. 13, 775 ac's, Coast D.	60 00
do	" "	½ of section 14 and 15, 76½ acres, Coast District	50 60
do	" "	N.E. ¼ of section 21, 80 acres, Coast District	10 40
do	" "	S. ½ of section 2, 250 acres, Rupert District	16 25
Hall, A. J.	" "	Section 4, 148 acres, " "	9 62
Richards, F. G., Jr.	" "	N.E. ¼ of section 28, 160 acres, Barclay District	10 40
Major, C. G.	" "	S.E. ¼ of section 10, 114 acres, and W. ½ of S.W. ¼ of section 11, 80 acres, Coast District	25 22
Mara, J. A.	" "	N.W. ¼ of section 10, 88 acres, and W. ½ of N.E. ¼ of section 10, 77 acres, Coast District	21 46
Miller, James	" "	Sec. 14, 160 acres, and sec. 21, 90 acres, Sayward Dis.	16 25
Reid, James	" "	S. ½ of section 7, range 2, 62 acres, Coast District	4 68
Russell, Alexander	" "	Sections 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1,789 acres, Sayward D.	116 29
Robertson, W. A., G. row, G. C., and Braden, Jno.	" "	Section 1, 400 acres, Renfrew District	26 00
Stephens, Edward	" "	One undivided ¼ of sec. 15, 163¼ acres, Quatsino Dis.	10 60
Scoville, James	Real property	Section 2, 145 acres, James' Island	1 50
Warren, J. D.	Real and wild land.	Section 3, range 5, 160 acres, Coast District	10 40

And in accordance with the law, I hereby give notice that I shall offer for sale, by public auction, any lands of persons assessed by me on which taxes, including personal property tax, together with the cost of advertising and other expenses, remaining unpaid on day of sale, in either of the above districts.

Under the statute, persons liable to pay taxes imposed by the Assessment Acts, are personally liable for the amount thereof, and all lands of such persons situate within the province are also liable therefor. The taxes are a charge on such lands, having preference over any claim, lien privilege, or incumbrance of any party, except the crown, and does not require registration to preserve it.

The above sale will take place on Saturday, 22nd January, 1887, at the Government Buildings, James Bay, Victoria, at 12 o'clock noon.

Victoria, B. C., 16th December, 1886.

C. BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

[L. S.] CLEMENT F. CORNWALL.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Monday, the Thirteenth day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and every of you—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

ALEX. E. B. DAVIE, *Attorney-General.* } WHEREAS THE Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of British Columbia stands called for Monday, the Thirteenth day of December instant, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and constrained to appear.

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, We have thought fit by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining, you and each of you, that on MONDAY, the TWENTY, FOURTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things, which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these, Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honorable CLEMENT F. CORNWALL, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Tenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord, one Thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, and in the fiftieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

JNO. ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A license to prospect for coal over 840 acres of land situated on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, for one year from the date hereof, has been issued to Messrs. H. S. Mason, H. G. Lewis, Alex. Mackenzie and James Burns.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Nov. 17th, 1886. no28-2m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE reserve which was placed upon Tumbo Island has been cancelled, and that the island will be open to purchase three months from date hereof.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 9th Dec., 1886. de10-3m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A license to prospect for coal over 840 acres of land situated on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, for one year from the date hereof, has been issued to Messrs. J. S. Helmcken, Wm. Charles, R. H. Hall and Chas. W. C. Clifford.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 11th Nov., 1886. no26 2m

DISSOLVED PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, LIM TAI and LIM LAP FONG, alias LIM SAM, trading under the firm name of HONG LEE, at Victoria, B. C., has this day been mutually dissolved, LIM TAI intending to engage in another business, having sold of his own free will and accord, his interest in the above named firm, together with its good will, furniture, fixtures and book debts to LIM LAP FONG.

All parties having accounts with the firm will please call at their earliest convenience, and settle the same with LIM LAP FONG.

Signed. } LIM TAI.
LIM LAP FONG.

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